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REGULAR FORCES.—R. Ir. Regt.—The promotion of Maj. and Bt. Col. (temp. Brig.-Gen.) A. F. Baird, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O. (late Gord. High.) to the rank of Lt.-Col. is antedated to 25th Aug. 1919. Maj. R. Martin retires on ret. pay, and is granted the rank of Lt.-Col. R. Innis. Fus.—Lt. W. McClelland, M.C., 4th Bn., Spec. Res., relinquishes the actg. rank of Capt. The undermentioned Lts. are secd. for service with the W. Afr. Regt.:—W. Kerswell, C. C. Bateson. R. Muns. Fus.—Capt. T. Price retires on ret. pay. R. Dub. Fus.—Lt. C. Smith retires, receiving a gratuity.

GENERAL RESERVE OF OFFICERS.—R. Dub. Fus.—Maj. (late temp. Lt.-Col.) M. J. W. Dease is removed on account of ill-health contracted on active service, and is granted the rank of Lt.-Col.

REGULAR FORCES.—Service Battalions.—R. Innis. Fus.—Temp. Lt. T. W. Boyle, M.C., is seconded on appt. as probr. to Ind. Army in his temp. 2nd Lt. Temp. 2nd Lt. J. W. Gourley is seconded on appt. as probr. to Ind. Army Res. of Off. R. Dub. Fus.—Temp. 2nd Lt. M. J. Keeshan to be temp. Lt.

ARMIES OF OCCUPATION.—Regular Forces—Service Battalions.—R. Ir. Regt.—7th Bn.—Capt. Tynan, D.S.O. (York and Lanc. R.) relinquishes the temp. rank of Lt.-Col. on ceasing to comd. a Bn.

THE LEGAL DIARY.

LAW NOTICES—Tuesday, December 23rd, 1919.

THE HON. MR. JUSTICE POWELL.—For Judgment—The "Freeman's Journal," Ltd., v. Lambert. CONSOLIDATED TAXING OFFICE.—Master Denning, 11 o'clock. Exparte Taxations.

LAND JUDGES.—Receiver's Office. Mr. Examiner, 11 o'clock. Applications for Directions: Fleming v. Hanna; Edmund Foley's estate. 11 o'clock—Receiver's Accounts—Sutton v. O'Brien, H. Chidley v. Lindesay v. Darlington, Fullerton; Trustee Harrison estate adjourned generally. G. A. Howe.

A telegram from Montevideo, dated December 19, states:—President Brum has ordered the arrest of Senor Andreoli, the Nationalist deputy, who is charged with the abstraction of official documents. The Chamber of Deputies has sent a message to the President declaring that he is violating the Constitution in ordering Senor Andreoli's arrest, and demanding the immediate release of the latter.

CHARGE OF BURGLARY.—In the Northern Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Cooper, K.C., Patrick O'Malley and Thomas Foley, said to be soldiers, of no present occupation or address, were charged by Inspector Byrne with breaking into the private residence of Mr. James Daly, Liffey Bank, on Saturday night last, and stealing clothing to the value of £50. It was alleged that the prisoners obtained admission to the house by a kitchen window, bricks being removed to effect an entrance. The accused were found this morning in the hay loft, and the articles of clothing alleged to be stolen were found in the hay. A bottle containing whiskey was found near them. An employe of Mr. Daly's discovered the men and workmen surrounded the building until the police arrived. Accused were taken into custody by Sergeant Keenan and Constable Laffey. When charged O'Malley made no reply, and Foley denied it. On the application of Mr. J. W. Davis, for the police, prisoners were remanded.

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DALLAS—In loving memory of Willie, killed in aeroplane accident, in France, on December 24th, 1918.

BIRTHS.

EASON—December 22, 1919, at 4 Alma rd., Monkstown, Co. Dublin, to Mr. and Mrs. J. C. M. Eason, a daughter.

McCLENAGHAN—December 21, 1919, at 26 Victoria rd., Rathgar, Co. Dublin, the wife of H. W. Douglas McClenaghan, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

ARMSTRONG and BOARDMAN—December 10, 1919, at the Adelaide rd. Presbyterian Church, by the Rev. R. K. Hanna, B.A., Frederick Palmer Armstrong, M.P.S.I., fourth son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Armstrong, Manorhamilton, Co. Leitrim, to Mildred J., eldest daughter of Mr. J. H. Boardman, L.P.S.I., and Mrs. Boardman, 68 Upper Beechwood av., Ranelagh, Co. Dublin.

BAMFORD and FRENCH—November 20, 1919, at St. Paul's Cathedral, Calcutta, by the Rev. C. G. Stokoe, Percival Clifford Bamford, Indian Police, eldest son of the late Rev. F. W. Bamford, to Geraldine Beatrice, daughter of the Hon. Mr. F. C. French, C.S.I., I.C.S.

DUNCAN and COCKRILL—December 17, 1919, at St. George's Church, Dublin, by the Rev. Fergus Greer, assisted by the Rev. W. Greening, David Duncan, R.R.F., Belfast (late Lieutenant Royal Irish), to Sarah, third daughter of the late Joseph Bowden Cockrill, and Mrs. Cockrill, Drumcondra, and grand-daughter of the late John Cockrill, Sandymount.

GAISFORD and BATH—December 20, 1919, at All Saints' Church, Blackheath, John William, elder son of Lieutenant-Colonel D. J. Gaisford, Dolly's Grove, Dunboyne, to Gwyn, elder daughter of H. Bath, Esq., Alltyferin, Carmarthenshire.

LIUZZI and McCROSSAN—December 23, 1919, at St. Paul's, Arran quay, by the Rev. Father Burke, C.C., Paul G. Liuzzi, of Locorotondo, Bari, Italy, and 51 Upper Fitzwilliam st., Dublin, to Emily Millicent, second eldest daughter of J. J. McCrossan, 46 Leinster st., Phibsborough, Dublin.

NICOLL and MACKINTOSH—October 9, 1919, at Bombay, Major Noel Fiennes Nicoll, Indian Army, son of the late Alexander Charles Nicoll, Barrister-at-Law, and Mrs. Cooper, Trevose, Lymington, and Margaret Annie (Nancy), Q.A.I.M.N.S.R., third daughter of Douglas Mackintosh and Mrs. Mackintosh, 63 Drumcondra rd., Dublin.

TAYLOR and TAYLOR—December 16, 1919, at St. Patrick's Church, Newbridge, by the Rev. Canon O'Connor, Morrison M. Taylor, of Corboy House, Edgeworthstown, to Kathleen, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Taylor, Morristown Biller House, Newbridge.

THOMPSON and TRAYER—December 17, 1919, at the Cathedral, Cashel, by the Rev. Canon White, assisted by the Very Rev. W. C. Bourchier, Geoffrey Thompson, The Beeches, Ardmayle, fifth son of George Thompson, Kilmore House, Golden, Co. Tipperary, to Isabel, eldest daughter of Hugh Trayer, Lisnatown, Cashel, Co. Tipperary.

DEATHS.

BYRNE—December 22, 1919, at his brother's residence, Athboy, William Richard Byrne. "Peace, perfect peace." Funeral, Friday, 26th, at 12 o'clock.

BYRNES—December 23, 1919, at her residence, Griffin View, Lucan, Anne, widow of the late John Byrnes, aged 67 years. Deeply regretted by her sorrowing children. R.I.P. Funeral from St. Mary's, Lucan, to Esker Cemetery, Lucan, on Friday, December 26th, at 3 p.m.

GRABURN—December 21, 1919, at the residence of her brother (George A. Toole, Kenora, Canada), Ella, the wife of King Graburn, of Calgary, Canada, and eldest daughter of W. J. Toole, Curracloe House, Wexford. (By cable.)

JOHNSTON—December 21, 1919, in Dublin, Edward, eldest son of late Jonathan Johnston, of Portarlington. Funeral from Portarlington Station to St. Paul's Church at 2 o'clock.

KENNEDY—December 23, 1919, at his residence, 16 Brown st., South, William, the dearly-loved husband of Sarah A. Kennedy. Deeply mourned by his wife and family. Funeral to Mount Jerome, Friday, at 10.15 a.m.

WARMINGTON—December 18, 1919, at Frinton-on-Sea, Eleanor Sophia, widow of the late Alfred Warmington, of Naas, Co. Kildare, and Ballygoman Ovens, Co. Cork, aged 67.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

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By Order, HUBERT G. COOK, Secretary.

Irish Lights Office, Dublin, 23rd December, 1919.

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STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS. In the Goods of MARY McCANN, of No. 72 Carysfort avenue, Blackrock, in the County of Dublin, Spinster, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Statute 22nd and 23rd Victoria, Cap. 35, that all persons claiming to be creditors or otherwise to have any claims or demands against the estate of the Deceased, who died on the 27th day of November, 1919, are hereby required, on or before the 23rd day of January, 1920, to furnish (in writing) particulars of such claims to the undermentioned Solicitor for the Executor named in the Will, dated 20th day of May, 1916, of said Deceased, to whom Probate was granted on the 20th day of December, 1919, forth of the Principal Registry of the King's Bench Division (Probate) of the High Court of Justice in Ireland. And Notice is hereby further given that after the said 23rd day of January, 1920, the Executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Deceased amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which particulars shall have been furnished as above required.

Dated this 22nd day of December, 1919.

CHARLES P. O'NEILL, Solicitor for the Executor, 27 South Frederick street, Dublin.

SIRS,—TAKE NOTICE that I, GEORGINA FLOOD, of Terenure place, Terenure, in the County of Dublin, do intend to apply at the next General Sessions of the Peace to be holden in and for the County of Dublin, for a Transfer of a Seven-Days' Licence to Sell Beer, Cider, and Spirituous Liquors by Retail at and in the House situate at Terenure, in the Parish of Rathfarnham, Barony of Rathdown, and County of Dublin. Dated this 18th day of December, 1919. GEORGINA FLOOD.

To the Magistrates of the County of Dublin; To Superintendent, "E" Division, Dublin Metropolitan Police, Rathmines; The Clerk of the Peace. W. J. SHANNON and CO., Solicitors, 19 Upper Ormond quay, Dublin.

SIRS,—Take Notice that I, JAMES DELANY, of Raheny, in the County of Dublin, Grocer and Publican, do intend to apply, at the next general Licensing Sessions of the Peace to be holden in and for the County of Dublin, for a Transfer of a 6-day Licence to sell beer, cider, and spirituous liquors by retail at and in the house situate at Raheny, in the Parish of Raheny, and County of Dublin. Dated this 18th December, 1919. JAMES DELANY, Applicant.

To Patrick McKenna, Esq., J.P., The Cottage, Raheny, Co. Dublin; Robert S. Colvill, Esq., J.P., Coolock Lodge, Coolock, Raheny, Co. Dublin; The District Inspector, Royal Irish Constabulary, Howth; and The Clerk of the Crown and Peace for the Co. of Dublin, Green street, Dublin. W. S. BARRATT, Solicitor for Applicant, 15 South Frederick street, Dublin.

"IRISH TIMES" BRANCH OFFICE. 108 ROYAL AVENUE, BELFAST. 'Phone—1787, Belfast.

APPEALS.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL.

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The District of the Conference forms part of one of the most congested tenement areas of the city, where the poor are forced by dire circumstances to seek the shelter of a roof.

The stimulus to employment resultant from war conditions is now practically non-existent, and there is, consequently, an increase of poverty among the unskilled and the helpless. Furthermore, the high cost of living and present economic conditions, so keenly felt by the entire community, press with particular severity on the humbler classes, and render their outlook more hopeless—making it increasing essential that we should endeavour to bring some ray of comfort into their cheerless lives.

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Contributions will be gratefully received by: Very Rev. RICHARD F. BOWDEN, Adm.; Rev. JOHN FLANAGAN, C.C., Spiritual Director, } Pro-Cathedral, Marlborough street. JOHN O'ROURKE, Hon. Treasurer, or any other Member of St. Mary's Conference, } 53 Mountjoy square.

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FOUND, Pendant, on chain; anyone giving description, paying advertisement, and reward.—M 107, this office.

FOUND in Baggot street, Brooch. Apply Granite House, Pembroke road.

LOST, Thursday, 18th December, 1919, vicinity of the Cattle Market, one Bullock; two scissor cuts, left pin bone, and one on tail; reward.—John P. Cuffe, 73 Prussia st. C

LOST, coming off 9.10 a.m. train, Westland row, Tuesday, Brown Leather Purse Bag, containing Bank of Ireland Note and small silver, also letter with owner's name. Reward if left with Head Porter, Bank of Ireland, Dublin.

LOST, on Wednesday evening, on way to Cattle Market, Yet Polly Cow.—Robert Craigie, 37 Prussia st., Dublin.

LOST coming from Cattle Market, Thursday, December 18th, one Cheviot Wether, with tar "B" on side of head, red raddle "B" on back. Information thankfully received at 8 Chatham st.

LOST, between Rathmines and Henry street, Handbag, containing spectacles. Reward at 14 Belgrave road, Rathmines.

LOST, Wristlet Watch, blue face, between Grafton st. and Stores; finder will be rewarded.—Mount Anville House, Dundrum. F

LOST, Monday, Grafton st. neighbourhood, Bunch of Keys; 5/- reward.—36 Molesworth st. F

LOST, Notebook and Stamp Case, Lower Baggot st., Monday evening. Finder apply M 143, this office.

LOST, Thursday, 18th December, 1919, vicinity of the Cattle Market, one Bullock, two scissor cuts left pin bone, and one on tail; reward.—John P. Cuffe, 73 Prussia street.

LOST, December 23rd, £20 in notes, in tram, Northumberland road, O'Connell st.; good reward.—M 219, this office.

LOST, Sunday, 21st inst., in Donnybrook tram, or between Wellington place and Clyde road, two-pronged Tortoiseshell Backcomb. Reward, 144, Irish Times Office, Baggot street Branch.

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DUBLIN PORT AND DOCKS BOARD.

Mr. J. Hollwey, J.P., Chairman, presided yesterday at the meeting of the Dublin Port and Docks Board.

A discussion arose as to the condition of Balbriggan Harbour.

The Chairman promised Mr. Field that the Secretary of the Board would write to the Department of Agriculture pointing out that the fishing industry on the coast would be seriously interfered with if Balbriggan Harbour was not dredged.

On the reading of a letter of inquiry as to whether the Board would make a letting of an area of 1,000 square feet for the purpose of petrol storage, etc.,

The Chairman said that the Board was already dealing with another such application. He assured Mr. Field and Alderman Byrne that the Board would not agree to letting space for storage grounds if that course meant the shutting out of manufactures.

Alderman Moran informed the members of the Board that the Dublin Corporation had taken steps to remedy the condition of things at the Liffey Port ferry. Two modern seaworthy boats would be temporarily provided, and meantime tenders were being asked for the supply of two modern motor boats for ferry purposes.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

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PROVINCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

PROFITABLE TURKEY-REARING.—A woman near New Ross got £78 for her flock of turkeys.

CHRIST CHURCH, LONDONDERRY.—Rev. F. R. Scott, B.A., has been appointed Curate of Christ Church, Londonderry.

BELFAST GAS WORKS EXTENSION.—There was a record output of gas from the Municipal Gas Works in Belfast on Monday. During the 24 hours the output was 13,184,000 cubic feet, the previous highest being in December, 1909, when the amount was 12,608,000 cubic feet. The demand upon the present works is such as to necessitate the immediate completion of the proposed extension. Unless this extension is completed before next winter there will, probably, be a restricted gas supply in Belfast.

MAN'S DEATH ON RAILWAY LINE.—On Monday night the mutilated remains of a man named Robert Coulter, employed in Banbridge, were found on the Great Northern Line, a short distance from Banbridge Station. It was thought that the deceased missed the train home, and proceeded to walk on the railway towards his destination, but instead wandered on to the Scarva line, and was knocked down. At the inquest a verdict of accidental death was returned.

INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLBOY AND THE LORD'S PRAYER.—At Londonderry Children's Court yesterday a boy named Cornelius Bonner was charged with breaking a plate-glass window in an ice-cream shop. He threw a stone at another boy, and the missile broke the window. A claim for £20 compensation has been lodged. It was stated that the boy was sent to an industrial school when two years old, but, although twelve years at school, he could not repeat the Lord's Prayer. The case was adjourned pending inquiries.

LONDON COLLEGE OF MUSIC (DUBLIN CENTRE).

At an examination held on 15th, 16th, and 17th inst., in connection with above institution, the following candidates out of a large number satisfied the examiner:—

Licentiate Pf.—Violet Young (Professor H. Hoan, Carlow).

Associate Pf.—Babs Kavanagh (private school, Holy Faith Convent, Coombe), Violet Naylor (Miss Hollywell, A.L.C.M.), Andrew Molloy (Miss T. Shannon) Josephine Forde (Convent of the Holy Faith, Glasnevin).

Advanced Senior Pf.—Millicent Forrester, Catherine Byrne (Miss Marie Roche), Irene Dunne (Miss Eileen Reidy), Gerty Higgins (Holy Faith Convent, Glasnevin).

Violin.—Agnes Foley (Madame Holt White).

Senior Pf.—Bridie O'Hare (Miss M. Thornton, A.L.C.M.), Charles Irwin (Miss Eileen Reidy), Singing—Kathleen Cox, Louisa Walsh (Madame Pryor O'Ratigan).

Advanced Intermediate.—Pf.—Josephine Young (Miss Doran), Mary O'Connor (Professor G. Hoan, Carlow), Eileen Moran (Miss Horan, A.L.C.M.).

Intermediate Violin.—Robert Bushnell (Professor E. T. Taylor). Pf.—Kathleen M'Guinness (Miss Walsh), Mona Sheridan (Miss Eileen Reidy). Singing—Peter Delany, Margaret Rogers. Pf.—Maud Lennon (Miss Shannon), John Healy (Violin, Miss Cavendish).

Singing.—Pansy Cussen (Madame Pryor O'Ratigan).

Elementary Pf.—Margaret M'Guinness (Miss Walsh), Nora Calvert (Madame Holt White), Madeline M'Farland, Alice Cole (Miss Binnie, A.L.C.M.), Dorothy Warrington (Miss North), Claude Varcoe, John Oakes, Florence Robinson (Miss Hollywell, A.L.C.M.), Eileen Plunkett (Miss Hogan, A.L.C.M.), Vera Heneby (Miss L. Ramsay). Elocution—Steien Parkes (Miss Hutton, A.L.C.M.). Singing—Kathleen Hidlin (Miss T. Shannon), Violet Deane (Miss Dorothy Judge, A.L.C.M.), Alice Farnham.

Primary Pf.—Mildred Ludgate (Madame Holt White), Mary Fogarty, Agnes Quinn, Emma Maddix, Catherine Keogh (Miss Teresa Owens, A.L.C.M., gold medallist), Frank Graham (Professor G. Hoan, Carlow), Lilian Blacker (Mrs. Quinn), Charles Sheridan, Agnes Quinn, Harriet Lannan, Dorothy Althurst, Michael M'Hugh (Miss Hollywell, A.L.C.M.).

Elocution.—Gertrude Donaldson (Miss Hutton, A.L.C.M.). Pf.—George Geraghty, Bella Cook, John Gilgrap (Miss Shannon). Pf. Higher Junior—Emily Gilbert (Convent School, Stradbally).

The Examiner on this occasion was Frederick J. Kearn, Esq., Mus.Doc. T.U.T. Mus.Bac., Cantab. The next examination will be held (D.V.) in April.

The theory examination, held on 10th inst, the following candidates were successful:—

Junior.—Kathleen Hammond.

Elementary.—Ruby Williamson, Eileen Williamson, Gladys Michael, John Oakes, Evelyn Murphy, Helena Farrell, Annie Worlin (Miss Hollywell, A.L.C.M.).

Primary.—Hylda Boyd (Miss Boyd).

According to the *Zeitung Am Mittag*, some twenty convicts at Ziegenhain, near Marburg, fell upon their guards while going to a religious service, and seizing a machine-gun used it to effect their escape. After a hard fight, the troops succeeded in catching many of the men, after several had been shot and more wounded.

Fits.—"Epilepsy: Its Causes, Symptoms, and Treatment," by Gilbert Dale. Contents—Introduction, Causes of Epilepsy, Forms and Effects of Epilepsy. The Treatment. Post free sixpence. —Colston Publishing Co., Ltd., 26 Basinghaw House, Basinghall st., London, E.C.2.—(Advt.)

THE SUPPRESSION OF THE "FREEMAN'S JOURNAL."

MR. JUSTICE POWELL'S JUDGMENT.

ACTION DISMISSED WITH COSTS.

Mr. Justice Powell delivered judgment yesterday in favour of the defendants in the case of the *Freeman's Journal*, Ltd. (1919), against Brigadier-General Lambert, Commanding the Dublin District, and Superintendent George Willoughby, Dublin Metropolian Police, which was heard on Friday last. The plaintiff company sought an injunction to restrain the defendants from preventing the printing and publication of the *Freeman's Journal* newspaper, and from withholding from the plaintiffs certain parts of printing plant and machinery which they had caused to be removed from the premises of the plaintiffs on the night of the 15th December under warrant issued by Brigadier-General Lambert as competent military authority under the Defence of the Realm Act and the regulations made thereunder. The publication of the *Freeman's Journal* was suppressed because of an article in it reflecting upon the Irish Government, and particularly because, as alleged, that paper published matter calculated to deter persons from enrolling as special constables for the protection of the citizens of Dublin, and to assist the Dublin Metropolitan Police in the discharge of their duties.

Mr. Justice Powell, in the course of an elaborate judgment, referred to the powers of the Competent Military Authority, and the article in the paper entitled "The Foreign Executive." In his affidavit General Lambert said that the article contained false statements and statements intended or likely to cause disaffection to His Majesty; statements intended or likely to prejudice the recruiting of persons to serve in a police force, and statements intended or likely to prejudice the discipline of the D.M.P., and he said that he was satisfied that it was necessary to issue the authorisation to suppress the paper. As regards the interpretation put upon the various statements complained of in the newspaper which contained them, both by Mr. Hamilton Edwards and by General Lambert, it was upon him (the judge) that the obligation rested of determining the nature and probable effect of these statements. His lordship also referred to Colonel Johnstone's affidavit in which he stated that for several years certain Sinn Fein organisations, whose avowed objects were to make the government of Ireland as part of the United Kingdom impossible, and to establish a republic in Ireland entirely independent of His Majesty and the Parliament of the United Kingdom. In that affidavit reference was also made to the many murders and shootings of policemen both in Dublin and in the country, without any person being made amenable for them. The result was that it was no longer safe for the D.M.P. to patrol singly their beats in the city and surrounding districts, and that the number of the police had to be increased on each patrol. In consequence of such increase the D.M.P. were unable to cover their entire districts as heretofore, and owing to these facts, which were notorious, and must have been known to the manager of the plaintiff company, it had become desirable to voluntarily recruit a force of special constables to help the D.M.P. to patrol their districts, and afford protection to the lives and property of the inhabitants, and that it was under these circumstances that the article in the *Freeman's Journal* of the 15th December appeared. It was plain from what had been happening—murder and outrage—(said the judge) that the Government were taking such steps as were possible for the protection of the lives of the police and the property of the citizens. The Lord Lieutenant had sanctioned the raising of a body of special constables, and His Excellency had caused a communication to be addressed to Mr. Norris Goddard authorising him to visit Irish public departments with that object. The *Evening Telegraph* of December 13 described that as a "remarkable Castle request to Civil Servants in Ireland." The first article appearing in the *Freeman's Journal* had reference to interviews between its representatives and two members of the Civil Service. One of these Civil Servants said that the action of the Lord Lieutenant was "an attempt to force Civil Servants to undertake this unpleasant duty, for, however it may be camouflaged, it is forcing us to join this special force."

A WRONG INFERENCE.

Whatever views may have been entertained by the member of the Civil Service body who made this statement, the writer of the article must, he (the judge) thought, have known that the statements that force was to be used to compel Civil Servants to join, or that compulsion was to be placed upon them, was not borne out by any fact of which he had cognisance. The article also said:—"In some quarters the suspicion is entertained that the Government circular is a preliminary to another attempt to form a list of black sheep among the Civil Servants; in other words, of men who are not willing to answer the call of the Castle for service in the special constabulary. The recollection of the dismissals, frequently on the most flimsy grounds, which followed the rebellion, are not yet forgotten." Looking at the circular of December 11th from the Under Secretary, he (the judge) could see no foundation for this suspicion. He was quite unable to understand how any reasonable person could draw that very sinister conclusion from the circular in question. There was not a line in the circular which could in the remotest degree be regarded as a foundation for the inference that Civil Servants were to be forced or compelled to join the ranks of the special constables, or that the persons responsible for the issuing of the circular were actuated by the sinister motive of utilising the necessities of a perilous situation for a wholly different purpose than that indicated. The only document produced in this case in reference to this matter, namely, the circular of the Under Secretary, negatived the suggestion that any compulsion or force of any kind, directly or indirectly, was intended to be used, and General Lambert, in his affidavit, stated that he had been informed by the Under Secretary that the Executive were reduced to the pass of attempting to conscript the Civil Service as a supplementary police, and the statement that the Executive had conceived the idea of impressing the Irish Civil Service, and the statement that the Civil Service are to be judged by their readiness to serve coercionists, and that those who refused would be marked men, were statements which were absolutely and entirely false, and that the only communication that was made to the Public Departments intimating the sanction of the Lord Lieutenant to the raising of a body of special constables was in the form of a letter, dated 11th December, to which reference had already been made. Having thus made statements from which only one inference could be drawn, namely, that the appeal to the Civil Servants was not *bona fide*, but was made for sinister and unworthy purposes, and that those purposes were to be effected by means of conscription and impressment, the article in the paper dealt with the question of extending the request for the assistance of special constables to members of the general public, and expressed in very clear and unambiguous language what the result of such an appeal would be. It meant that if the call was made there would be no answer; that the Government that made the call had no existence in fact; that it was dying, and that such activities as it possessed were poisonous. The article in the *Freeman* declared in the most unmistakable way that the effort to recruit special constables was a pretended effort; that the real purpose of the Executive was to invent a new test of loyalty, to be exacted by compulsion, so that they might mark down those who refused to serve; that it would be an unsuccessful effort; that the call would not be answered, and that the difficulties of the situation had been created by the Government itself. Speaking generally, he asked was a newspaper entitled to create an atmosphere of prejudice against an effort such as this because the writer had come to the conclusion from his particular standpoint that the Executive had adopted a policy of which he did not approve, and was entitled to create an atmosphere of prejudice by stating matters as facts, which, if true, would put the impress of dishonesty upon the entire undertaking, but of the truth of which not a particle of evidence was given, or even suggested when the case came into court.

NOT FAIR COMMENT.

In his lordship's opinion the doctrine of fair comment did not apply to the question he had to determine in this case. How could a court of justice decide that it is for the public interests to publish statements which violate a statutory prohibition? Some of the comments were based upon statements in the very article itself that public men had been guilty of acts, some of which, if true, would be disgraceful. There was not a shred of evidence of the existence of such acts. The question comes to this—are the statements in the leading article in question in the first place likely to prejudice the recruiting of persons to serve as special constables in the D.M.P.? How could there be any honest answer to that question but one? He could not conceive of any statements more likely to have that result, and that being his view, clear and undoubted, he must so hold. Are those statements likely to prejudice the training, discipline, and administration of the Dublin Metropolitan Police Force? *Prima facie* he should say that a statement published in a great newspaper to the effect that the present dangerous situation as regards the force has been created by the Executive Government, that the police have been diverted from their ordinary duties to support an insupportable *régime*, and that that course of conduct by the Executive Government has rendered the police force impotent to discharge their ordinary duties, would be likely to undermine their loyalty to the Executive Government who had so treated them, and might, therefore, be likely to prejudice the discipline of the force, for if loyalty to duty is wanting, there can be no real effective discipline. On the whole, he could not bring himself to believe that these statements would be accepted by the Dublin Metropolitan Police as representing the realities of the situation, nor that they would cause them to swerve from the path of duty, however rugged and dangerous that path might be. His lordship did not think that the statements in an article entitled "Prostitution of Government" were fair comment according to any standard of political fair play. One of the statements alleged that the Defence of the Realm Act did not represent law, but anarchy. Such a statement, circulated at the present time in Ireland, was, he considered, calculated, and likely to cause, disaffection to the King and to the King's Government. Mr. Brown read sentences in this article in reference to the Chief Secretary which he said were not in good taste, and exceeded the limits of journalistic decency and ought not to have been made. This contained a good deal of vulgar abuse, and the proprietors of the *Freeman* were sorry that the statements had been made. He was not basing his decision on any vulgar abuse of the Chief Secretary, and would content himself with saying that he was glad that counsel stated that the proprietors of the paper expressed regret at this statement.

AN HISTORIC INCIDENT.

At the conclusion of his very able and eloquent address counsel reminded his lordship that one of the proudest traditions of the Irish Bench was what had occurred over 100 years ago in connection with a *habeas corpus* action in regard to Wolfe Tone. The outlook, he said, then was as black as it is now, but the Irish Bench of that day refused to concede the arbitrary claims of the Government. The incident referred to was historic. Mr. Wolfe Tone had been condemned to death by a military tribunal, and his counsel, Mr. Curran, applied to the Court of King's Bench in Ireland for a *habeas corpus*. He stated that he did not suggest that there was any defence to the charge which had been preferred against Mr. Wolfe Tone, but that he wished to question the jurisdiction of the military tribunal to put him on his trial, or to sentence him. The Court directed the Sheriff to bring Mr. Wolfe Tone before them. A military officer refused to obey the order, and the Sheriff was then directed to bring that officer before the Court to answer for his refusal. The facts were in great contrast. Here the plaintiffs were relying upon the law. He had considered the law and the facts, and had come to the clear conclusion that the acts complained of were justified in law and in fact, and the result was that the plaintiffs' action must be dismissed with costs.

Mr. S. L. Brown, K.C.; Mr. Leonard, K.C., and Mr. Charles Power (instructed by Messrs. Miley and Miley) appeared for the plaintiff company.

The Solicitor-General (Mr. D. M. Wilson, K.C.), Mr. Wylie, K.C., and Mr. H. O. Holmes (instructed by the Chief Crown Solicitor) appeared for the defendants.

REVOLVERS AT A GRAVESIDE.

COURTMARTIAL ON TULLAMORE MEN.

The District Courtmartial, which sat at Ship street Barracks, Dublin, on Monday to investigate a charge of illegal possession of firearms, brought against two Tullamore men, was resumed yesterday, Major W. H. Masley, D.S.O., M.C., presiding.

The names of the accused men are Malachy Lynam, Chapel street, Tullamore, and Patrick Daly, Charleville Parade, Tullamore, both of whom were charged with being in possession of a revolver on the 13th November last.

Captain H. J. Jones, attached 12th Lancers, prosecuted.

The evidence given on Monday was to the effect that Lynam was seen at a funeral in Clonminch Cemetery, Tullamore, on the 13th November last, and that he discharged a shot from a revolver over the grave of a man named James Long.

Yesterday Head Constable Acheson, Tullamore, gave evidence of arrest, and said that when he cautioned Lynam, the man made no reply. Giving evidence later in the charge against Daly, whom he identified as one of a number of people that discharged shots over the grave on the occasion of the funeral of James Long, he said that he saw Daly with a revolver. When arrested and cautioned he made no statement.

The accused men did not call any witnesses for the defence.

The court closed to consider its findings, which will be promulgated in due course.

LICENSED GROCERS' AND VINTNERS' PROTECTION ASSOCIATION.

At a special meeting of the Committee of the Licensed Grocers' and Vintners' Association held yesterday, the following resolution was unanimously passed:—

"That this special meeting of the Committee of the Licensed Grocers' and Vintners' Protection Association, representing the entire licensed trade of the city and suburbs, enter our most emphatic protest against the treatment meted out to the trade of the city by Messrs. Guinness at the present time in regard to the delivery of supplies by facilitating their export trade to the detriment and inconvenience of their Irish customers."

It was also decided again to recommend the trade this year to close their licensed premises on St. Stephen's Day.

IRISH PRESBYTERIANS AND HUNGARIAN PROTESTANTS.

At a meeting of the Government Committee of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, held yesterday at Belfast, two delegates from the Reformed Church of Hungary were present, and addressed the meeting. At the conclusion of their addresses the following resolution was unanimously adopted:—"The Government Committee has attentively, and with interest, listened to the statements made by the deputation from the Reformed Church of Hungary, and thanks them for coming so far to lay their position and their fears about the future before it. It would deplore, and so would our whole Church, if any section of the great Reformed Church they represent were to suffer persecution in any way for its faith, or the loss of religious liberty and freedom to worship; and it is prepared to join with similar Committees of other Presbyterian Churches of the United Kingdom in any steps which, on deliberation, it may seem advisable to take in order to avert so great a calamity. It hereby empowers Rev. Dr. Park and Rev. Dr. Lowe to take any action that may be necessary until the next meeting of the Committee.

BURGLARY IN DUBLIN.

The kiosk which stands at the corner of South Great George's street and Exchequer street, Dublin, was broken into early yesterday morning, and a quantity of the stock of Mr. John Leake, confectioner and tobacconist, stolen. Entrance was effected by battering in the front shutter, a difficult and noisy job, but the burglars were not disturbed. It is thought that the work was that of amateurs, as it is very clumsily executed, and the most valuable part of the stock was left untouched.

AMERICAN LINE SERVICE TO BE RESUMED.

The American Line announce that they intend resuming in February next the Southampton-Cherbourg-New York service. The ss. New York, which leaves New York on February 7th, will re-inaugurate the service, which was suspended owing to the war. The first sailing from Southampton will be on February 21st, and weekly sailings from both sides thereafter will be maintained by the New York, St. Louis, St. Paul, and Philadelphia. The question as to whether the inward bound steamers will call at Plymouth is still in abeyance.

GOVERNMENT AIRSHIPS FOR SALE.

Major Sir Bertram Falle asked the Prime Minister in the House of Commons on Monday if he was aware that the R 34 and R 39, the two latest rigid airships, were to be sold for commercial purposes; and if he would allow one of them to be retained for the use of the Indian Government on the north-west frontier of India.

Mr. Bonar Law said that the answer to the first part of the question was in the negative. He was making inquiries with regard to the suggestion in the latter part of the question.

ASSOCIATION OF SECONDARY TEACHERS.

CORK BRANCH'S STATEMENT ON THE EDUCATION BILL.

The Cork branch of the Association of Secondary Teachers in Ireland makes the following statement in reference to the Irish Education Bill:—

The bill, as proposed, contains, amidst many very valuable features, some clauses that will arouse embittered controversy. These clauses are entirely concerned with the machinery to be set up to carry out the bill. We quite agree that, as the bill stands, the proposed machinery secures at all events what everyone recognises as a very valuable and sorely needed improvement in Irish education—namely, co-ordination between the three main branches of primary, secondary, and technical education. But, while admitting this, we are compelled to state that the placing of all administrative authority in the hands of three individuals, who, however great their qualifications, are nominees of the Government only, and two of whom are mere birds of passage, going in and out with the Government, would jeopardise the religious interests and the distinctive national culture of the country. The abolition of the National and Intermediate Boards and the substitution of a mere advisory council to replace them is another grave defect, and increases the dangers pointed out above, while the reduction of the popular element on the local councils renders the measure, as far as its administrative proposals are concerned, absolutely reactionary and undemocratic. It is obvious that the remedy lies in the appointment of a Minister of Education responsive to Irish public opinion, and of an administrative Council of Education representative of all classes in Ireland.

As regards the clauses dealing with the grants to schools and the payment and superannuation of teachers, the proposed bill may be regarded as satisfactory. It is, however, capable of improvement as regards the tenure of teachers; the amounts of initial and final salaries to attract and retain clever men and women in the teaching profession, and the levelling up of the salaries of the women teachers to those of the men. In other words, where the bill follows the recommendations of the Molony Commission, it is almost invariably good; where it departs from them, it is uniformly bad.

With its many defects and many good features, the bill deserves careful consideration, and the action of those bodies and individuals who reject it *in toto* does not commend itself to a calm, impartial view. The sensible method would seem to divide the measure into two separate bills. Let those who object to the proposed administration unite in a strong agitation to promote a special bill dealing with the administrative side. Let a second bill dealing with all questions affecting teachers be also promoted. If there is any reality in the public expressions of sympathy with the teachers' cause, there should be no opposition to this measure. To reject it altogether without doing anything for the teachers, most of whom feel the pinch of grinding poverty in these days of high taxation and shameless profiteering, would be to inflict unnecessary cruelty on a down-trodden and grievously ill-treated body of men and women, who have deserved better at the hands of their countrymen.

The merest tyro in politics knows that all this talk of Home Rule on the part of the present British Government is mere camouflage, intended for outside consumption, and possessing no reality. Therefore, when public bodies ask the miserably underpaid teachers to postpone their claims until we get self-government, they are exciting grave doubts of their bona fides in this fundamental matter of a nation's education, especially as they make no definite proposals to relieve what they admit to be the intolerable position of the teachers.

The condition of these teachers is now so bad that unless an immediate remedy is found there is grave danger that the entire working of the schools may be brought to a standstill.

RATHMINES TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE'S VIEWS.

At a special meeting of the Technical Instruction Committee of the Rathmines Urban District, the following resolution was passed:—"After careful consideration of the provisions respecting technical instruction, we, the Technical Instruction Committee of the Rathmines Urban District, are strongly of opinion that the Education (Ireland) Bill, if passed into law in its present form, will have a reactionary effect on technical instruction. It will destroy the existing system of administration, which for over twenty years, has worked in complete harmony with local interest, and set up in its place an Advisory Board and a system of local committees under which local interest will be destroyed, and the demands of technical instruction will tend to be subservient to those of primary and secondary education; we are further of opinion that any legislation affecting technical instruction should provide for its closer association with the industry and commerce of our country, by making provision for representation of employers, trade unions, and Chambers of Commerce on a Central Board and on the local committees. It should also provide for compulsory attendance at day continuation classes up to the age of 18 years, and for adequate funds for equipment and building, and for the remuneration and superannuation of all teachers and officials, both whole and part-time; in view of the foregoing, this committee ask that the provisions affecting technical instruction be omitted entirely from the Education (Ireland) Bill; that no change be made in the existing system of administration; that until legislation be enacted to deal with technical instruction on the lines suggested in this resolution, whatever funds would be available for technical instruction under the Education Bill shall be obtained for, and applied to, that purpose, and that power be given to the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland to put into force those provisions respecting remuneration and superannuation of the teachers and officials of technical instruction."

Copies to be sent to the Lord Lieutenant, and the Chief Secretary for Ireland, the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction, and the local Member of Parliament.

OBITUARY.

MR. WILLIAM KNIGHT.

The death of Mr. William Knight, for many years one of the Secretaries of the Belfast National Teachers' Association, took place on Monday, suddenly, at his residence, 55 Rosemount Gardens, Belfast. He was frequently a delegate to the annual Teachers' Congress, and in 1911 he acted as secretary to the deputation of teachers that waited upon the National Commissioners of Education, and his presentation of the case on that occasion won for him not only the admiration of his colleagues, but also the respect of the higher officials connected with the Irish Education Office. On the resignation of Mr. W. Campbell, Mr. Knight became Principal of Eglinton Street Schools. He had been an elder of Eglinton Presbyterian Church for over eleven years, and also held the position of Congregational Secretary.

The death is announced of M. Diemer, the celebrated French pianist.

Mr. Sydney Valentine, the well-known actor, and President of the Actors' Association, died in London yesterday after several weeks' illness. The deceased was stricken down with cerebral hemorrhage at the close of a meeting in London, called to consider the new contract for provincial touring companies. The opposition then met with obviously affected Mr. Valentine.

THURLES FAIRS AND MARKETS PROHIBITED.

In reply to the request of the Thurles Urban Council for the restoration of Thurles fairs and markets, Mr. J. L. Johnston, Chairman of the Council, has been notified by the Constabulary authorities that no fairs or markets will be allowed for the present.

POLICE REFUSED ADMISSION TO SINN FEIN LECTURE.

Mr. Bernard McKenna, Strabane, who did not appear, was fined 10s. and costs at Strabane Petty Sessions yesterday, with the alternative of imprisonment, for refusing to admit two policemen to a Sinn Fein lecture and concert on the 23rd November last.

FUNERAL OF THE LATE DR. J. J. A. O'CONNOR.

The funeral of the late Dr. J. J. A. O'Connor, of 27 Haddon road, Clontarf, took place on Tuesday to Glasnevin Cemetery. The chief mourners were:—John J. O'Connor (father), James G. O'Connor, solicitor, and Patrick O'Connor (brothers), Rev. T. A. Ronayne, Rev. J. Ronayne, John Ronayne, E. Ronayne, and E. McLoughlin (cousins).

The clergy present included:—Very Rev. Father Downey, C.S.Sp.; Very Rev. J. J. Cogan, O.C.C.; Very Rev. C. Doyle, S.J.; Rev. H. Nowlan, C.C.; Rev. Father Brennan, C.S.Sp.; Rev. H. O'Toole, C.S.Sp.; Rev. W. Byrne, S.J.; Rev. E. McSweeney, C.C.; Rev. F. Donohoe, C.C.; Rev. C. Molony, S.J.; Rev. J. Counihan, S.J.

There was a large attendance of friends of the deceased and family.

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B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION.

The following candidates have passed:—

SCHOLARS.—Eyre, Cecil George; Galvin, Barry St. John; Horan, John Beattie.

PENSIONERS.—Bartley, Thomas Douglas Murray; Beatty, Desmond; Beatty, Thomas Edward; Benson, Ernest Edmondson; Borm-Reid, Robert M'Minn; Bouchier-Hayes, Margery; Brownell, Thomas Charles; Burns, Robert; Chapman, Robert Sturgeon; Cheyne, John Donald Edmond; Coetzee, Johannes Cornelius; Corbet, Robert Henry Joseph; Deane, Hector Charles; Dobbyn, Alexander Lee; Dormer, Robert; Dundon, Harry Christol; Elliott, James; Exner, Herbert Victor; Felton, Robert Evan; Ferguson, Sherard Freeman Statham; Fitzgerald, William James; Foster, Henry Robert Victor; Given, Thomas Frederick; Glynn, Patrick; Greer, Fergus Ussher; Groves, Cornelius Albert; Henry, Dorothy Isabel; Hofmeyer, Harold Osmond; Holland, Doris; Howe, Norman David; Kelly, Augustine Patrick; Kelly, David Herbert; Kennedy, Alfred St. John; Lennox, Robert; Levitt, Nathaniel; Levitt, Percival Israel; Littledale, Cyril Richard Evelyn; Litton-Cary, Thomas Falkland; McCormick, Victor Ormond; Maguire, Robert Augustine; Mahony, James Francis; Mulherbe, Gideon Clement; Menary, Vera Gladys May; Minch, William; Minchin, Robert Beman; Moore, Edward Dawson; Newell, Harriet Lyle; Orr, Thomas Alfred Hazlett; Panton, Sybil Gertrude; Radloff, Theodor; Smith, Edmund Cyril; Spence, Evileen Mary; Sullivan, William John; Swanton, Austen; Walker, Maurice Cecil; Walpole, George Frederick; Ward, Henry Rowlands; Waters, George Frederick; Wilkinson, Harold Howard; Willock, Edith Florence.

SIZAR.—Small, Francis Victor.

EX-SIZAR.—Troughton, John Herbert Watson.

SERVICES AND ANTHEMS.

CHRISTMAS DAY.

Christ Church Cathedral.—To-day (Wednesday), at 10.45, Morning Service, Kempton in B flat. Litany. Evening, 3. Tallis's Responses. Processional Hymn, 87. Psalm, 132. Mag. and N. Dim., Wood in E flat. "Sing and rejoice," Harwood (Zech. ii., 10-13). Carols. Hymn 83. Christmas Day. 10, Celebration in the Lady Chapel. 11, Tallis's Responses. Matins. Processional Hymn, 83. Proper Psalms, 19, 45, 85. Te Deum and Benedictus, Kitson in E flat. Anthem—"There were Shepherds," Handel (705 pt.). 11.45, Tallis's Responses. Holy Communion, Harwood in A flat. Preacher, His Grace the Archbishop of Dublin. Hymn 79. 3.30, Evensong. Tallis's Responses. Processional Hymn, 83. Proper Psalms, 110, 132. Magn. and Nunc Dim., Smart in B flat. Anthem—"There were Shepherds," Handel (705). Hymn 87.

Chapel Royal.—11.30, Morning Service. Processional Hymn, 35. Venite, 459. Chant for Psalm, 438. Te Deum, Stanford in B flat. Benedictus, 637. Anthem, No. 705—"There were Shepherds" (Messiah), Handel. Choral Communion, Hewson in F. Kyrie, 1. Dox., 2. Nicene Creed (unison). Hymn before Sermon, No. 57. Hymn after Sermon, No. 88. Preacher, Rev. Canon H. J. Lawlor, D.D., Sub-Dean. The chapel is open to the public. Celebration of Holy Communion after Morning Prayer.

Royal Hospital, Kilmainham.—8, Holy Communion. 11, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion.

St. Matthias' Parish Church.—7, 8, 11.30, Holy Communion.

Booterstown Church.—Holy Communion at 8, 10, and 11.30; Rev. Dr. Murray.

St. Ann's Church, Dawson street.—7.15, 8, 10, 11.30, Holy Communion. 10 and 11.30, Rev. Canon Day.

Rathmines Parish Church.—6.30, 7.15, 8, 10, and 11.30, Holy Communion. 11.30, the Rector.

Christ Church, Leeson Park.—7, 8, 9, 10, and 11.30, Holy Communion; preacher at 11.30, Rev. J. P. Phair.

St. Columba's Church.—7, 8, and 11.30, Holy Communion; preacher at 11.30, Rev. J. Tomas.

St. Stephen's.—7, 8, and 10, Holy Communion. 11.30, Matins, Sermon, and Holy Communion. 4, Evensong.

St. Andrew's Church.—8, 10.30, and 11.30, Holy Communion; Rev. R. Northridge.

St. Mark's.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion; Rev. J. Carson.

St. Paul's Church.—7 and 8 a.m., Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion; Rev. E. J. Young.

St. Kevin's, S.C. road.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Rev. R. Bird.

St. James's Parish Church.—7 and 8 a.m., Holy Communion. 11.30, Holy Communion; Rev. J. C. Irwin.

St. James's District Church.—7.30, Holy Communion. 11.30, Holy Communion; Rev. Ernest Hunt.

St. Thomas's.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30 and Holy Communion; Rev. E. R. Burland.

Drumcondra Parish.—8, 11, 12, Holy Communion; Rev. H. C. Cave.

North Strand Parish.—7, 8, 10.15, and 11.30, Holy Communion; Rev. C. G. Shaw.

St. George's Parish Church.—7, 8, and 10, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion; the Rector.

St. Aidan's Church.—8 and 10, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion; Rev. E. W. Greening.

St. Augustine's Church.—8 and 10, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion; Rev. W. S. H. Waring.

The Free Church.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion; Rev. J. Verschoyle.

St. Mary's Parish Church.—8, Holy Communion; Rev. J. Riversdale Colthurst. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion; Rev. J. Riversdale Colthurst.

St. Mary's Chapel of Ease.—8, Holy Communion; Rev. J. O. Gage Dougherty. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion; Rev. J. O. Gage Dougherty.

Mission Church, Townsend street.—11.30, Rev. T. C. Hammond.

St. Bartholomew's.—7 and 8, Holy Communion. 11, Rev. Chancellor M'Neile, D.D. 12, Procession and Sung Eucharist. 4, Evensong and Carols.

St. Michan's, Church street.—8.30, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion.

St. Peter's Parish.—6.30, 7.15, 8, and 10.15, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion. St. Stephen's and St. John's Days, Holy Communion, 11.30.

Rotunda Hospital Chapel.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion. Preacher, the Chaplain. Carols will be sung.

Harold's Cross Parish.—7, 8, and 11.30, Holy Communion. 11.30, Rev. Canon Jennings. Anthem—"A King shall Reign," G. Horan.

Clontarf Parish.—8 and 10, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion; Rev. J. F. Shearman.

Tullow Parish, Carrickmines.—8, Holy Communion. 11, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion.

All Saints', Blackrock.—To-night, 8, Carol Service. Christmas Day, Holy Communion at 7, 8, and 11.30.

Mariners' Church, Kingstown.—7 and 8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion, Rev. Canon H. B. Kennedy.

St. Philip and St. James, Booterstown.—7, 8, 10.30, and 11.30, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer. Zion Church, Rathgar.—8 and 10, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion, Rev. J. Parkinson Hill.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES.

Clontarf.—11, Rev. J. L. Morrow.

Abbey Church, Rutland square.—11 a.m., Choral Service. Rev. Dr. Osborne.

METHODIST CHURCHES.

Charleston road.—10.30, Rev. F. W. Young.
Brighton road.—8 a.m., Rev. J. A. Duke.
St. Stephen's Green.—11 a.m., Rev. James Grubb.
Victoria street, S.C.R.—11.15, Rev. W. B. Budd.
Blackrock.—7.30 a.m., Rev. R. C. Phillips.
Kingstown.—11.30, Rev. R. Brooke Morton.
Dalkey.—11 a.m., Rev. A. Egan.
Blackhall place—11, Rev. R. G. Moore.
Inchicore.—11, Rev. R. Burton, C.F.
Sandymount.—11, Rev. C. H. Crookshank.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Dublin (a Branch of The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass.), 35 Molesworth street.—Services—Sunday, 11.30 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Sunday School, 11.30 a.m. Wednesday (Testimony Meeting), 8 p.m. The Christian Science Reading Room, same address, is open free to the public from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. each week-day, except Wednesday, when the hours are 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., and on Sundays from 3 to 7 p.m.

DUBLIN AND DISTRICT.

DUBLIN DOCKERS AND CHRISTMAS WEEK PAY DAY.—At the Port of Dublin yesterday the dockers engaged at the cross-Channel steamers of the City of Dublin Line indulged in a strike which was brought about, it appears, by the postponement of the payment of wages until the usual pay day at the end of the week. The dockers were firm in their demands that wages should be paid prior to Christmas, and to emphasise this declined to continue either loading or unloading of the vessels at the North Wall berths of the company. The stoppage of work continued until it was intimated to the men that it had been decided to make Christmas Eve a "pay day," and on this assurance the men returned to work, and no interference with sailings resulted.

THE BABIES' CLUB.—Sir Andrew Horne, M.D., presided at the monthly meeting of the Central Babies' Clubs Committee, when reports from seven clubs were submitted as follows:—Number of members, 1,496; attendance, mothers (infants, and children), 2,615; seen by the doctors (mothers, infants, and children), 639; separate visits by nurses, 1,785; medical treatment obtained for 129; number of homes visited by nurses, 1,755; infants' deaths, 1; bags of coal obtained through fund, 161; pairs of boots obtained through Boot Club, 29; necessitous cases relieved, 58; expectant mothers assisted, 36.

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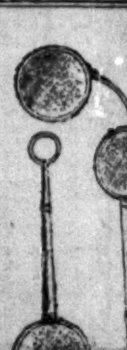

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A telegram from Bombay, dated December 10, states:—Bombay Moderates have decided as a party not to attend the forthcoming National Congress at Amritsar, as they consider the Moderates' views on Punjab affairs can be more effectively expressed at their own Conference, especially in view of the Reform Bill.

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SPORTING NEWS.

LEOPARDSTOWN MEETING FRIDAY.

Very attractive programmes have been arranged for both days of the Christmas Meeting at Leopardstown, where excellent sport may confidently be expected on Friday and Saturday. The all-round entry is a particularly good one, and as the weather has been so favourable to training operations, large fields are likely to be seen out. The principal event at the meeting, the valuable Leopardstown Steeplechase, which is down for decision on the second afternoon, is arousing considerable interest, and it should certainly provide a fine contest. Friday's card is also a strong one, and on that day some of the following may catch the judge's eye:—

Stand Hurdle—L'Africain or Matoppo.
Stewards' Hurdle—Cheerio.
Newtown Hurdle—Sari Bahr.
Stillorgan Steeplechase—Deerfoot.
Bray Steeplechase—Kanowna.

PROGRAMME.

1.15—STAND MAIDEN HURDLE, 100 sovs. 1½ m.

	Age	st.	lb.
BRANCE (Mr. W. H. Stops)......Rogers	4	12	2
LOUVIMA (Mr. W. A. Wallis)......Morgan	4	11	12
DERMOT M'CARTHY (Mr. P. J. Fox) Private	6	11	11
HAZELBROOK (Col. Croft)......Ussher	4	11	7
KILT (Gen. Sir Hari Singh)...Parkinson	4	11	7
DANGAROO (Lord Savile)......Arnott	5	10	12
KIRMA'S LAST (Mr. P. Baker)......Owner	5	10	11
VISITATION (Mr. de Banke)......Doyle	4	10	11
LLANDOLLA (Mr. T. Mullen)......Private	4	10	11
KROONFIELD (Mr. B. Lea)......Davis	4	10	11
THE BOY (Mr. J. B. M'Roberts)...Harty	4	10	11
L'AFRICAIN (Mr. Mackean)......Morgan	5	10	11
ARDENIAN (Mr. E. Mooney)......Private	6	10	11
ARDS (Sir T. Dixon)......Ruttle	5	10	11
IN ARMS (Capt. Henderson)......Davis	4	10	11
IRISH FALLOCH (Capt. Honner) Behan	5	10	11
COCK-A-DOODLE-OO (Capt. Honner) Owner	5	10	11
MOLY (Mr. F. Edwards)......Private	5	10	11
PODARCES (Mr. J. S. Shepherd)...Trench	a	10	11
ASHPARK (Mr. J. J. Byrne)......Private	4	10	11
MATOPPO (Mr. W. Parrish)......Rogers	5	10	7
JONQUIL (Mr. M. Dawson)......Dawson	3	10	7
LADY NOGGS (Mr. Shaw)......Fetherston	3	10	7
ARGENT (Mr. D. Wallace)......Rankin	3	10	7
THERMAL (Mr. D. J. Cogan)......Rice	3	10	2
BOLSHEVIST (Mrs. Croft)......Ussher	3	10	2
SIR WILLIAM (Mr. P. Cullinan)...Walker	3	10	2
YOUNG BRIAN (Capt. Daly)......Grundy	3	10	2
EDGAR'S GAMBLER (Mr. D. O'M. Leahy)......Leahy	3	10	2
KING OF BEES (Mr. Moore)......Dawson	3	10	2
CASTANEA (Mr. W. Parrish)......Rogers	3	10	2

1.45—STEWARDS' HURDLE RACE, 100 sovs. 1½ m.

	Age	st.	lb.
TALK (Mrs. Timmins)......Private	a	12	0
WORTHY EARL (Mrs. Croft)......Ussher	a	11	7
LEDDISTON (Mrs. Croft)......Ussher	6	11	3
CHEERIO (Mr. A. Christie)......Rankin	4	11	3
PEGSWOOD (Mr. W. A. Langford)..Owner	4	11	0
VIEW LAW (Mr. MacGarry)......Mahon	a	11	0
STOLEN OATS (Mr. E. Desmond) Parkinson	4	10	9
THE LIMIT (Mr. W. Jackson)..Dawson	3	10	7
CRAGANOCK (Mr. J. Nugent)..Nugent	a	10	5
LADY DONORE (Mr. L. Brabazon) Owner	a	10	5
HALF SIGHT (Mr. J. J. Parkinson) Owner	4	10	0
LONG SIGHT (Mr. T. Byrne)......Arnott	4	10	0
BROWN MOOR (Mr. Morrison)......Owner	6	10	0
FLUMMERY (Mr. M. Dawson)......Owner	3	10	0
CLARE HOOP (Mr. J. Downes)..Downes	5	10	0

2.15—NEWTOWN HURDLE PLATE, 200 sovs. 1½ m.

	Age	st.	lb.
MINTOI (Capt. Mungall)......Langford	5	12	4
DARK EYES (Mr. C. L. Mackean) Fetherston	5	12	1
STEADY SCOTCH (Mr. D. J. Cogan) Rice	4	12	0
GEMSBOK (Mr. H. M. Hartigan) Arnott	5	11	11
VOXOL (Mr. Owen Toole)......Morgan	4	11	9
EMPIRE MAKER (Mr. W. A. Wallis) Morgan	4	11	8
PARIPAN (Col. Croft)......Ussher	a	11	7
FETHERNEY (Mr. Ml. Fitzgerald) Cunningham	6	11	3
SARI BAHR (Capt. Shirley)......Rogers	4	11	2
HONEY OF ROSES (Miss Flynn) Grundy	4	11	1
RED SPIDER (Col. Croft)......Ussher	5	10	9
JILTRIM (Mr. C. Swords)......Anthony	6	10	8
NOBLE GUARD (Mr Jas. M'Donnell) Cleary	a	10	7
TULLY (Mr. M. Farrington)......Trench	4	10	0
PODARCES (Mr. J. S. Shepherd) Trench	a	10	0

2.45—STILLORGAN STEEPLECHASE, 150 sovs. 2 m.

	Age	st.	lb.
LA RUISH (Mr. J. Bannon) ......Bannon	a	11	11
BON AMI (Mr. Jas. Daly)......Daly	6	11	11
NEWBRIDGE (Capt. Mansfield)..Private	5	11	11
WILD BOY (Mr. T. Levins Moore) Owner	a	11	11
CAPTIVE MAY (Mr. B. W. Parr)..Arnott	6	11	11
BALLINTREE (Mr. D. Hayes) ..Private	6	11	11
GLENCORRIG (Hon. K. Mackay) Arnott	5	11	8
DUDLEY (Mr. C. L. Mackean) ..Morgan	5	11	8
PRUDHOMME (Mr. John Daly) ......Daly	5	11	8
SISTER (Mr. Shaw)......Fetherston	5	11	8
DEERFOOT (Mr. T. Dickson) ..Dawson	5	11	8
ROOSKEY BOY (Mr. J. P. MacGuire) Private	5	11	8
IRLANDAIS (Mr. J. Groarke) ...Cleary	5	11	8
GALWAY BOY (Major Dixon)....Ruttle	5	11	8
THE DALE (Mr. J. Nugent)......Nugent	5	11	8
ARDS (Sir T. Dixon)......Ruttle	5	11	8
...MONA (Mr. H. MacDermot) ..Private	5	11	8
LITTLE REVENGE (Mr. Clark) Rankin	4	11	0
...NGLEAM (Mr. R. G. Cleary)......Cleary	4	11	0
CLIFTON CLINKER (Capt. Dixon) Ruttle	4	11	0
MOONBEAM (Mr. Osborne) ......Arnott	4	11	0
...ME (Mr. J. W. Murland) ....Murland	4	11	0
BALLYNOGGIN (Mr. H. Dudgeon) Anthony	4	11	0
TULLY (Mr. M. Farrington) ......Trench	4	11	0
MANISTER RUSTLE (Mr. J. P. Hogan) Hogan	4	11	0
POTHEEN (Mrs. M'Keever) C. Brabazon	4	11	0
SCOTCH BEN (Mr. H. Napier Magill) Walker	4	11	0
KEEP COOL (Mr. P. Rogers) ......Arnott	4	11	0
MELANGE (Mr. W. Watson) ......Watson	4	11	0
KNIGHT OF ST. PATRICK (Mr. E. H. Woods)......Bennett	4	11	0

3.15—BRAY STEEPLECHASE, 100 sovs. 3 m.

	Age	st.	lb.
OCEAN STAR (Mr. E. Walsh) C. Brabazon	6	13	7
MAURICE (Mr. W. H. Dixon) ......Arnott	a	12	10
CARBURINE (Mr. Dill) ......Morgan	5	11	12
BALLINGLEN (Mr. Mallick) L. Brabazon	4	11	10
BADMINTON II. (Mr. Jas. Daly) ......Daly	6	11	7
KANOWNA (Lord Lascelles) ......Arnott	a	11	7
ROI ALLIE (Mr. B. W. Parr) ......Arnott	a	11	7
BALLYSAX (Major Bacon) ......Bacon	5	11	2
OPPRESSIVE (Mr. R. F. Gannon)..Doyle	5	11	2
GOLDEN GLORY (Major Carolin) Ussher	5	11	2
HARD LUCK (Mr. Dickson) ......Murland	5	11	2
FOREWARNED (Mr. P. Rogers) ...Arnott	4	10	9

ARRIVALS.—All the horses engaged can reach the course on the morning of the races, those from the Curragh being conveyed by special train each morning.

FOLKESTONE MEETING—YESTERDAY.

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM.)

FOLKESTONE, TUESDAY NIGHT.

The experiences at the opening stage of the Folkestone Meeting sufficed for many of the visitors, and an attenuated company made the journey to Westenhanger from town this morning. The racing was again of mediocre character, and it can with safety be hazarded that the fixture proved a disappointment to everybody concerned. Rain fell heavily in the district on Monday night, but the weather cleared before noon to-day, leaving the going very heavy in places. The racing requires very little describing. War Duke, the hero of a Cheltenham National Hunt Steeplechase, had matters all his own way in the Maidstone Steeplechase, and Lady Alicia won the Moderate Handicap just as easily as she scored at Plumpton last week. Evidently she is a nailing good mare at the game. Simon the Tanner stayed in front too long for the moderates which opposed him in the Otterpool Steeplechase, fencing admirably throughout; and Watergruel, assisted by good jockeyship, cleverly annexed the hurdle race confined to amateurs.

1.0.—MAIDSTONE 'CHASE, £100. 3 m. 1 f.
Mr. M. Blair's b. g. WAR DUKE, by Sterling Duke—War Bird, a, 10-11 ....Owner 1
Mr. J. Powell's CELERITY, a, 10-10............Owner 2
Also ran—Knight of Scholl (T. Costello), Tirhugh (Owner). (Winner trained by Featherstonhaugh.)
Betting—11 to 10 agst. Tirhugh, 5 to 2 Celerity, 3 to 1 WAR DUKE, 20 to 1 Knight of Scholl. Won by a distance. Only the two placed horses finished. The winner was purchased by Mr. J. A. de Rothschild for 270 gns.

1.30.—MODERATE HURDLE, £85. 2 m.
Mr. M. Bode's b. f. LADY ALICIA, by Flotsam—La Sanfriere, 4, 12-3 ....J. Reardon 1
Mrs. H. Peel's LATCH, 5, 10-10............G. Smith 2
Mr. J. Owen's PLYMOUTH, 6, 10-4 ....Mr. Fitzgerald 3
Also ran—Tonga (E. Piggot), Rocksplit (Mr. F. B. Rees), Common Occurrence (F. Cullen), Saintly Maude (C. Young), Burneston (L. B. Rees). (Winner trained by J. Day.)
Betting—6 to 4 agst. LADY ALICIA, 2 to 1 Plymouth, 4 to 1 Tonga, 10 to 1 any other. Won by a length and a half; six lengths.

2.0.—OTTERPOOL 'CHASE, £85. 2 m.
Mr. C. Leveson-Gower's br. g. SIMON THE TANNER, by General Symons—Reverendene, a, 11-12 ....J. Reardon 1
Mr. F. Agnew's RETAINE, 5, 12-0......W. Payne 2
Lord Denman's TEMPLEBAR, 5, 12-7..F. Cullen 3
Also ran—Parity (Owner). (Winner trained by Walford.)
Betting—11 to 10 on Retaine, 3 to 1 agst. Templebar, 6 to 1 each SIMON THE TANNER and Parity. Won by twelve lengths; a bad third.

2.30.—AMATEUR RIDERS' HURDLE, £100. 2 m.
Major V. Misa's b. h. WATERGRUEL, by Watercress—Discipline, a, 11-12 ....Mr. J. Misa 1
Mr. H. Rich's SHINING MORE, 6, 11-1 ....Mr. J. Bristow 2
Mr. P. Whitaker's CROM ABOO, 5, 11-5 ....Mr. P. Roberts 3
Also ran—Flying Simon (Mr. R. Dill), Muscovado (Mr. F. B. Rees). (Winner trained by H. Escott.)
Betting—7 to 4 each agst. WATERGRUEL and Crom Aboo, 5 to 1 Shining More, 6 to 1 Muscovado, 20 to 1 Flying Simon. Won by a length and a half; a bad third.

3.0.—DEAL 'CHASE, £100. 2 m.
Mr. H. Brown's br. g. THE LAST, by Quidnunc—Mavo, a, 11-8 ....Owner 1
Mr. H. Rich's BILLET, a, 10-7 ......F. Dainty 2
Also ran—Cooldreen (G. Bennett). (Winner trained by Owner.)
Betting—6 to 5 agst. Billet, 11 to 8 THE LAST, 5 to 1 Cooldreen. Won by eight lengths. Cooldreen did not complete the course.

3.30.—JUVENILE HURDLE, £100. 1½ m.
Mr. E. Caldicott's b. c. MONTDIDIER, by Louvois—Fagale, 10-9 ....T. Hulme 1
Mr. H. Bessell's CROIX DE GUERRE, 10-6 ....D. Casey 2
Mr. H. Curtis' ROYAL RAIDER, 11-8 ....Mr. P. B. Rees 3
Also ran—Dr. Nicol (F. Cullen). (Winner trained by Caldicott.)
Betting—5 to 4 agst. Croix de Guerre, 2 to 1 Royal Raider, 3 to 1 Dr. Nicol, 6 to 1 MONTDIDIER. Won by half a length; ten lengths.

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A telegram from Bombay, dated December ... states:—Bombay Moderates have decided as a party not to attend the forthcoming National Congress at Amritsar, as they consider the Moderates' views on Punjab affairs can be more effectively expressed at their own Conference, especially in view of the Reform Bill.

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SPORTING NEWS.

LEOPARDSTOWN MEETING
FRIDAY.

Very attractive programmes have been arranged for both days of the Christmas Meeting at Leopardstown, where excellent sport may confidently be expected on Friday and Saturday. The all-round entry is a particularly good one, and as the weather has been so favourable to training operations, large fields are likely to be seen out. The principal event at the meeting, the valuable Leopardstown Steeplechase, which is down for decision on the second afternoon, is arousing considerable interest, and it should certainly provide a fine contest. Friday's card is also a strong one, and on that day some of the following may catch the judge's eye:—

Stand Hurdle—L'Africain or Matoppo.
Stewards' Hurdle—Cheerio.
Newtown Hurdle—Sari Bahr.
Stillorgan Steeplechase—Deerfoot.
Bray Steeplechase—Kanowna.

PROGRAMME.

1.15—STAND MAIDEN HURDLE, 100 sovs. 1½ m.
Age st. lb.
Brance (Mr. W. H. Stops) ....Rogers 4 12 2
Louvima (Mr. W. A. Wallis) ....Morgan 4 11 12
Dermot M'Carthy (Mr. P. J. Fox) Private 6 11 11
Hazelbrook (Col. Croft) ....Ussher 4 11 7
Kily (Gen. Sir Hari Singh) ....Parkinson 4 11 7
Dangaroo (Lord Savile) ....Arnott 3 10 12
Firma's Last (Mr. P. Baker) ....Owner 5 10 11
Visitation (Mr. de Banke) ....Doyle 4 10 11
Llandolla (Mr. T. Mullen) ....Private 4 10 11
Broomfield (Mr. B. Lea) ....Davis 4 10 11
The Boy (Mr. J. B. M'Roberts) ....Harty 4 10 11
L'Africain (Mr. Mackean) ....Morgan 5 10 11
Ardenian (Mr. E. Mooney) ....Private 6 10 11
Ards (Sir T. Dixon) ....Ruttle 5 10 11
In Arms (Capt. Henderson) ....Davis 4 10 11
Irish Palloch (Capt. Honner) Behan 5 10 11
Cock-a-Doodle-Oo (Capt. Honner) Owner 5 10 11
Moly (Mr. F. Edwards) ....Private 5 10 11
Podarces (Mr. J. S. Shepherd) ....Trench 4 10 11
Ashpark (Mr. J. J. Byrne) ....Private 4 10 11
Matoppo (Mr. W. Parrish) ....Rogers 5 10 7
Jonquil (Mr. M. Dawson) ....Dawson 3 10 7
Lady Noggs (Mr. Shaw) ....Fetherston 3 10 7
Argent (Mr. D. Wallace) ....Rankin 3 10 7
Thermal (Mr. D. J. Cogan) ....Rice 3 10 2
Bolshevist (Mrs. Croft) ....Ussher 3 10 2
Sir William (Mr. P. Cullinan) ....Walker 3 10 2
Young Brian (Capt. Daly) ....Grundy 3 10 2
Edgar's Gambler (Mr. D. O'M. Leahy) ....Leahy 3 10 2
King of Bees (Mr. Moore) ....Dawson 3 10 2
Castanea (Mr. W. Parrish) ....Rogers 3 10 2

1.45—STEWARDS' HURDLE RACE, 100 sovs. 1½ m.
Age st. lb.
Talk (Mrs. Timmins) ....Private a 12 0
Worthy Earl (Mrs. Croft) ....Ussher a 11 7
Leddiston (Mrs. Croft) ....Ussher 6 11 3
Cheerio (Mr. A. Christie) ....Rankin 4 11 3
Frogwood (Mr. W. A. Langford) ....Owner 4 11 0
View Law (Mr. MacGarry) ....Mahon a 11 0
Stolen Oats (Mr. E. Desmond) Parkinson 4 10 9
The Limit (Mr. W. Jackson) ....Dawson 3 10 7
Craganock (Mr. J. Nugent) ....Nugent 3 10 5
Lady Donore (Mr. L. Brabazon) Owner a 10 5
Half Sight (Mr. J. J. Parkinson) Owner 4 10 0
Long Sight (Mr. T. Byrne) ....Arnott 4 10 0
Brown Moor (Mr. Morrison) ....Owner 6 10 0
Flemmery (Mr. M. Dawson) ....Owner 3 10 0
Hare Hoop (Mr. J. Downes) ....Downes 5 10 0

2.15—NEWTOWN HURDLE PLATE, 200 sovs. 1½ m.
Age st. lb.
Mintoi (Capt. Mungall) ....Langford 5 12 4
Dark Eyes (Mr. C. L. Mackean) Fetherston 5 12 1
Steady Scotch (Mr. D. J. Cogan) Rice 4 12 0
Gemsbok (Mr. H. M. Hartigan) Arnott 5 11 11
Toxol (Mr. Owen Toole) ....Morgan 4 11 8
Empire Maker (Mr. W. A. Wallis) Morgan 4 11 9
Paripan (Col. Croft) ....Ussher 4 11 8
Fetherney (Mr. M. Fitzgerald) Cunningham 6 11 3
Sari Bahr (Capt. Shirley) ....Rogers 4 11 3
Honey of Roses (Miss Flynn) Grundy 4 11 1
Red Spider (Col. Croft) ....Ussher 5 10 9
Pilgrim (Mr. C. Swords) ....Anthony 6 10 8
Noble Guard (Mr. Jas. M'Donnell) Cleary a 10 7
Tully (Mr. M. Farrington) ....Trench 4 10 0
Podarces (Mr. J. S. Shepherd) Trench 4 10 0

2.45—STILLORGAN STEEPLECHASE, 150 sovs. 2 m.
Age st. lb.
La Ruish (Mr. J. Bannon) ....Bannon a 11 11
Bon Ami (Mr. Jas. Daly) ....Daly 6 11 11
Newbridge (Capt. Mansfield) ....Private 5 11 11
Wild Boy (Mr. T. Levins Moore) Owner a 11 11
Captive May (Mr. B. W. Parr) ....Arnott 6 11 11
Ballintree (Mr. D. Hayes) ....Private 6 11 11
Glencorrig (Hon. K. Mackay) Arnott 5 11 8
Dudley (Mr. C. L. Mackean) ....Morgan 5 11 8
Prudhomme (Mr. John Daly) ....Daly 5 11 8
Sister (Mr. Shaw) ....Fetherston 5 11 8
Deerfoot (Mr. T. Dickson) ....Dawson 5 11 8
Brooskey Boy (Mr. J. P. MacGuire) Private 5 11 8
Blandais (Mr. J. Groarke) ....Cleary 5 11 8
Galway Boy (Major Dixon) ....Ruttle 5 11 8
The Dale (Mr. J. Nugent) ....Nugent 5 11 8
...ds (Sir T. Dixon) ....Ruttle 5 11 8
...r Donn (Mr. K. MacDermot) Private 5 11 8
Little Revenge (Mr. Clark) ....Rankin 4 11 8
Ingleam (Mr. R. G. Cleary) ....Cleary 5 11 8
Afton Clinker (Capt. Dixon) Ruttle 4 11 0
Moonbeam (Mr. Osborne) ....Arnott 4 11 0
...me (Mr. J. W. Murland) ....Murland 5 11 0
Ballynoggin (Mr. H. Dudgeon) Anthony 4 11 0
Tully (Mr. M. Farrington) ....Trench 4 11 0
Manister Rustle (Mr. J. P. Hogan) Hogan 4 11 0
Potheen (Mrs. M'Keever) C. Brabazon 4 11 0
Scotch Ben (Mr. H. Napier Magill) Walker 4 11 0
Keep Cool (Mr. P. Rogers) ....Arnott 4 11 0
Melange (Mr. W. Watson) ....Watson 4 11 0
Knight of St. Patrick (Mr. E. H. Woods) ....Bennett 4 11 0

3.15—BRAY STEEPLECHASE, 100 sovs. 3 m.
Age st. lb.
Ocean Star (Mr. E. Walsh) C. Brabazon 6 13 7
Maurice (Mr. W. H. Dixon) ....Arnott a 12 10
Uberrine (Mr. Dill) ....Morgan 5 11 3
Ballinglen (Mr. Mallick) L. Brabazon 4 11 10
Badminton II. (Mr. Jas. Daly) ....Daly 6 11 7
Kanowna (Lord Lascelles) ....Arnott 4 11 5
Fox Allie (Mr. B. W. Parr) ....Arnott 4 11 5
Ballysax (Major Bacon) ....Bacon 5 11 2
Aggressive (Mr. R. F. Gannon) ....Doyle 5 11 2
Golden Glory (Major Carolin) Ussher 5 11 2
Hard Luck (Mr. Dickson) ....Murland 5 11 2
Forewarned (Mr. P. Rogers) ....Arnott 4 10 9

ARRIVALS.—All the horses engaged can reach the course on the morning of the races, those from the Curragh being conveyed by special train each morning.

FOLKESTONE MEETING—YESTERDAY.

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM.)

FOLKESTONE, TUESDAY NIGHT.

The experiences at the opening stage of the Folkestone Meeting sufficed for many of the visitors, and an attenuated company made the journey to Westenhanger from town this morning. The racing was again of mediocre character, and it can with safety be hazarded that the fixture proved a disappointment to everybody concerned. Rain fell heavily in the district on Monday night, but the weather cleared before noon to-day, leaving the going very heavy in places. The racing requires very little describing. War Duke, the hero of a Cheltenham National Hunt Steeplechase, had matters all his own way in the Maidstone Steeplechase, and Lady Alicia won the Moderate Handicap just as easily as she scored at Plumpton last week. Evidently she is a nailing good mare at the game. Simon the Tanner stayed in front too long for the moderates which opposed him in the Otterpool Steeplechase, fencing admirably throughout, and Watergruel, assisted by good jockeyship, cleverly annexed the hurdle race confined to amateurs.

1.0—MAIDSTONE 'CHASE, £100. 3m. 1f.
Mr. M. Blair's b. g. WAR DUKE, by Sterling Duke—War Bird, a, 10-11 ....Owner 1
Mr. J. Powell's CELERITY, a, 10-10 ....Owner 2
Also ran—Knight of Scholl (T. Costello). Tirhugh (Owner). (Winner trained by Featherstonhaugh.)
Betting—11 to 10 agst. Tirhugh, 5 to 2 Celerity, 3 to 1 WAR DUKE, 20 to 1 Knight of Scholl. Won by a distance. Only the two placed horses finished. The winner was purchased by Mr. J. A. de Rothschild for 270 gns.

1.30—MODERATE HURDLE, £85. 2 m.
Mr. ... Bode's b. f. LADY ALICIA, by Flotsam—Sanfriere, 4, 12-3 ....J. Reardon 1
Mr. ... Peel's LATCH, 5, 10-10 ....G. Smith 2
Mr. ... Owen's PLYMOUTH, 6, 10-4 Mr. Fitzgerald 3
Also ran—Tonga (E. Piggott), Rockspilt (Mr. F. B. Rees), Common Occurrence (F. Cullen), Saintly Maid (C. Young), Burneston (L. B. Rees). (Winner trained by J. Day.)
Betting—6 to 4 agst. LADY ALICIA, 2 to 1 Plymouth, 4 to 1 Tonga, 10 to 1 any other. Won by a length and a-half; six lengths.

2.0—OTTERPOOL 'CHASE, £85. 2 m.
Mr. C. Leveson-Gower's br. g. SIMON THE TANNER, by General Symons—Reverendene, a, 11-12 ....J. Reardon 1
Mr. T. Agnew's RETAINE, 5, 12-0 ....W. Payne 2
Lord Denman's TEMPLEBAR, 5, 12-7 ..F. Cullen 3
Also ran—Purity (Owner). (Winner trained by Welford.)
Betting—11 to 10 on Retaine, 3 to 1 agst. Templebar, 6 to 1 each SIMON THE TANNER and Purity. Won by twelve lengths; a bad third.

2.30—AMATEUR RIDERS' HURDLE, £100. 2 m.
Mr. ... Mica's b. h. WATERGRUEL, by Watercress—Discipline, a, 11-12 ....Mr. J. Misa 1
Mr. H. Rich's SHINING MORE, 6, 11-1 Mr. J. Bristow 2
Mr. P. Whitaker's CROM ABOO, 5, 11-5 Mr. P. Roberts 3
Also ran—Flying Simon (Mr. R. Dill), Muscovado (Mr. F. B. Rees). (Winner trained by H. Escott.)
Betting—7 to 4 each agst. WATERGRUEL and Crom Aboo, 5 to 1 Shining More, 6 to 1 Muscovado, 8 to 1 Flying Simon. Won by a length and a half; a bad third.

3.0—DEAL 'CHASE, £100. 2 m.
Mr. W. Brown's br. g. THE LAST, by Quidnunc—Maso, a, 11-8 ....Owner 1
Mr. H. Rich's RILLET, a, 10-7 ....F. Dainty 2
Also ran—Cooldreen (G. Bennett). (Winner trained by Owner.)
Betting—6 to 5 agst. Rillet, 11 to 8 THE LAST, 5 to 1 Cooldreen. Won by eight lengths. Cooldreen did not complete the course.

3.30—JUVENILE HURDLE, £100. 1½ m.
Mr. T. Caldicott's b. c. MONTDIDIER, by Louvois—Fagale, 10-9 ....T. Hulme 1
Mr. H. Bessent's CROIX DE GUERRE, 10-6 D. Casey 2
Mr. B. Curtis' ROYAL RAIDER, 11-2 Mr. F. B. Rees 3
Also ran—Dr. Nicol (F. Cullen). (Winner trained by Caldicott.)
Betting—6 to 4 agst. Croix de Guerre, 2 to 1 Royal Raider, 3 to 1 Dr. Nicol, 6 to 1 MONTDIDIER. Won by half a length; ten lengths.

LIMERICK MEETING—
FRIDAY.

The Limerick Meeting on Boxing Day will, for the most part, appeal to South of Ireland sportsmen, who will be well catered for at Greenpark, where runners should be forthcoming in sufficient numbers to ensure an enjoyable day's racing. Selections:—

Holiday Plate—Moss's selected.
Christmas Plate—Manister Pride.
Greenpark Plate—Apres Moi.
St. Stephen's Day Plate—Lady Jenatzy.
Directors' Plate—Lady Lightfoot.

PROGRAMME.

1.15—HOLIDAY PLATE, 50 sovs. A handicap hurdle. 1½ m.
Age st. lb.
Menlo (Mr. J. P. Hogan) ....Owner a 12 6
Flocon (Mrs. Barthropp) ....Private a 12 0
Brookhill (Mr. B. Cummins) ....Moss 5 11 9
Scottish Knight (Mr. Barry) ....Moss 3 11 7
Time Will Tell (Mr. Costello) ....Moss a 11 0
Tramore Boy (Mr. Hartigan) ....Owner 3 11 0
Padraig (Mr. M. Lyons) ....Private 5 10 12
Yorkshire Lad (Capt. J. O'G. Delmege) ....Owner a 10 7
Mangerton (Mr. J. J. Foley) ....Harty a 10 5
Black Demon (Mr. W. Wallis) ....Kirk 4 10 4
... Hurler (Mr. J. Magner) ....Owner 5 10 0
Vanishing Silver (Mr. J. J. Ryan) Private 3 10 0
Mr. Vigorous (Mr. Hanly) ....Private 3 10 0
East Clare (Miss Gleeson) ....Owner 6 10 0
Archias (Mr. J. O'Hara) ....Hogan a 10 0

1.45—CHRISTMAS PLATE, 50 sovs. A handicap steeplechase. 2 m.
Age st. lb.
Pride of Manister (Mr. J. P. Hogan) ....Owner 6 12 3
Manister Pride (Mr. Hogan) ....Owner a 11 11
Siller (Mr. De Crean) ....Anthony a 11 8
Lady Lightfoot (Mr. W. O. Bourke) Cleary a 11 6
Fleecy Wave (Mr. Mulcahy) ....Harty 5 11 4
Eager Prince (Mr. W. A. Wallis) Trench 5 10 3
Lady Glenbrook (Mr. Croft) ....Sikes a 10 0
Ballintree (Mr. D. Hayes) ....Owner 6 10 0

2.15—GREENPARK PLATE, 50 sovs. 1¼ m.
Age st. lb.
Rushyford (Mr. P. W. Shaw) ....Moss 6 12 5
Bachelor's Grab (Mr. G. Hartigan) Owner 5 11 2
Mrs. Bowes G., by Lonawand (Mr. V. Hartigan) ....Owner 5 11 2
Ballintree (Mr. D. Hayes) ....Owner 6 11 2
C Man (Mr. T. Keays) ....Owner 5 11 2
Friarstown (Mrs. Sikes) ....Sikes 5 11 2
Apres Moi (Capt. Megaw) ....Moss 5 11 2
Mr. Vigorous (Mr. Hanly) ....Private 5 11 2
Countess M (Mr. M. F. Kelly) ....Owner 5 11 2
Old Pallas (Mr. Thos. M'Carthy) Owner a 11 2
Bertha (Mr. T. A. Hartigan) ....Owner a 11 2
Hester Island (Mr. J. Rolleston) Private 6 11 2
Monagay (Mr. T. A. Hartigan) ....Owner 6 11 2
Knocklisheen (Capt. J. O'G. Delmege) ....Owner 4 10 12
Missouri (Capt. Delmege) ....Owner 4 10 12
Lady of the Heath (Miss Gleeson) Private 4 10 12
Rockhampton (Mr. Hogan) ....Owner 4 10 12
Solus (Mr. R. Wallace) ....Stephen 4 10 12
Token (Mrs. John Widger) ....Widger 4 10 12
Manister Kit (Mr. Hogan) ....Owner 4 10 12
Manister Day (Mr. Hogan) ....Owner 4 10 12
Kilshane Lass (Mr. Crowe) ....Private 4 10 12
Saxham Sally (Capt. Morgan) Anthony 4 10 12
Red Flag (Mr. T. Slattery, jun.) Owner 4 10 12
Flight Commander (Mr. J. D. O'Connell) ....Owner 4 10 12
Othello's Pride (Mr. E. Cummins) Moss 4 10 12
Brown Queen (Mr. E. J. Treacy) Anthony 3 10 2
Battle Mad (Mr. T. H. Barke) Harty 3 10 0
Flummery (Mr. M. Dawson) ....Owner 3 10 0
Rathbriar (Mr. W. Harrison) ....Kirk 3 10 0
Fionbarr (Mr. P. Kelly) ....Private 3 10 0
Storm (Mrs. P. M'Loughlin) ....Private 3 10 0
Rathman (Mr. C. Magner) ....Owner 3 10 0
Queen Elf (Mr. B. O'Donnell) ....Doyle 3 10 0
Tipp Tivoli (Mr. B. O'Donnell) ....Doyle 3 10 0
Vanishing Silver (Mr. J. J. Ryan) Private 3 10 0

2.45—ST. STEPHEN'S DAY PLATE, 50 sovs. A steeplechase. 3 m.
Age st. lb.
Flocon (Mrs. Barthropp) ....Private a 11 0
Knockea (Mr. T. Foley) ....Harty a 10 7
Bridge of Manister (Mr. J. P. Hogan) ....Owner 5 10 7
Old Pallas (Mr. Thos. M'Carthy) Owner a 10 7
Sister (Mr. E. A. Shaw) ....Fetherston 5 10 7
Sugar Loaf (Mrs. John Widger) Widger a 10 7
Lady Jenatzy (Mr. D. Noonan) Private 6 10 7
Annagh (Mr. D. P. O'Brien) ....Private 5 10 7
Gortmore's Pride (Mr. J. Archdeacon) ....Private 4 10 0
Manister Rustle (Mr. J. P. Hogan) Owner 4 10 0
Flight Commander (Mr. J. D. O'Connell) ....Private 4 10 0
Canny Bird (Mr. B. O'Donnell) Owner 4 10 0

3.15—DIRECTORS' PLATE, 50 sovs. A steeplechase. 2½ m.
Age st. lb.
Manister Bridge (Mr. Hogan) Owner 5 12 6
Sugar Loaf (Mrs. John Widger) Widger a 11 7
Lady Jenatzy (Mr. Noonan) ....Owner 6 10 0
Lady Jenatzy (Mr. D. Noonan) Owner 6 10 0
Glencarbry (Mrs. M. J. Harty) Harty a 10 0
Lady Glenbrook (Mr. Croft) ....Sikes a 10 0

KEMPTON PARK MEETING—
FRIDAY.

PROGRAMME.

12.30—HOUNSLOW 'CHASE, £150. 3 m.
st. lb.
Mozzel (Mr. F. Ingram) ....Poole a 12 5
Tempus Fugit (Sir J. Laycock) Whitaker a 12 3
Flamen (Mr. C. Leveson-Gower) C. Young a 11 12
Familiar II. (Capt. G. Morgan) Whitaker a 11 12
Our Boy (Mrs. D. Preston) ....Hammond a 11 12

1.0—KEW 3-Y.O. HURDLE, £200. 1½ m.
Landorf (Mr. F. Benson) ....Hyams 10 7
Simon's Craft (Mr. T. Edge) ....Poole 10 7
Lee White (Mr. J. Goodman) ....Goodman 10 7
Richard E. (Mr. de Mestre) ....De Mestre 10 7
Castle in Spain (Mr. de Mestre) De Mestre 10 7
Spotlight (Mrs. D. Preston) ....Hammond 10 7
Phalonic (Mr. R. Redford) ....A. Day 10 7
Geordie (Mr. M. Rhodes) ....M. Rhodes 10 7
Kincraig (Mr. Sangster) ....Godfrey 10 7
L'Homme Sans (Mrs. E. Tabor) ....Tabor 10 7
Ladaile (Mr. A. Wright) ....Private 10 7

1.30—KEMPTON PARK 'CHASE, £150. 2 m.
Age st. lb.
Fabricate (Mr. G. Bird) ....Private a 11 10
Palmless (Mrs. N. Brownlee) ....Slevier 6 11 10
Monsyl (Mr. W. Dixon) ....Private 5 11 10
Daydawn (Mr. F. Hartigan) F. Hartigan 6 11 10
Desmond's Song (Mr. P. Heybourn) J. Bell a 11 10
Simon the Tanner (Mr. C. Leveson-Gower) ....C. Young a 11 10
Pastures New (Mr. W. McElroy) McKenna a 11 10
Remembrance (Capt. I. Straker) F. Hartigan a 11 10
Soft Repose (Major Verschoyle) C. Young 6 11 10
Red Shield (Sir G. Abercromby) ..Gore 5 11 8
Archie's Girl (Mr. D. Stuart) ....Hyams 5 11 8
Ingatestone (Mr. J. Hull) ....Leader 5 11 8
Viva (Mr. S. Gourley) ....Private 4 11 0
Sippet Charlie (Mr. P. Heybourn) J. Bell 4 11 0
Gracious Gift (Lord Porchester) Whitaker 4 11 0
Shantoi (Mr. W. Richardson) ....Goby 4 11 0
Mirza (Lord Denman) ....A. Day 4 11 0
Bonnie Charlie (Mr. M. Blair) Fetherstonhaugh a 11 0

2.0—CHRISTMAS HURDLE, £300. 2 m.
Age st. lb.
Sea Voyage (Mr. W. Blythe) ....Pope a 12 7
Sippet Charlie (Mr. P. Heybourn) J. Bell 4 12 4
Golden Daisy (Mr. P. Nelke) ....Gore a 11 12
Manrico (Mr. J. Ramsden) ....Gore 5 11 12
Doublet (Mr. C. Tabor) ....Tabor 4 11 5
Trezidella (Mr. M. Inman) ....Godfrey 4 11 4
Poilu (Mr. M. Blair) ....Whitaker 4 11 2
Carol Singer (Mr. R. Gates) A. Nightingall a 11 1
The Plough (Mr. C. Burn) ..Whitaker 4 11 0
Charles Martel (Mr. T. Hartigan) J. Nightingall 4 10 13
Gleneffy (Mr. W. McElroy) ....Private 5 10 8
Ahanesk (Mr. H. Bradford) ..Bradford 6 10 7
Latch (Mrs. H. Peel) ....Escott 5 10 7
Sally Strickland (Mr. M. Rhodes) M. Rhodes 4 10 6
Brownstown Belle (Maj. D. Dixon) M. Kirk 4 10 0

2.30—OATLANDS 'CHASE, £200. 2 m.
Age st. lb.
Loomian (Mr. R. Gates) ..A. Nightingall a 12 7
Eclaireur (Mr. R. Wigram) ....Poole a 12 0
Tirhugh (Lord Denman) ....Law a 11 13
Mozzel (Mr. F. Ingram) ....Poole a 11 13
Platonic (Mr. E. Goby) ....Goby a 11 11
Bath (Mrs. N. Brownlee) ....Slevier a 11 9
Splinter (Mr. McKenzie) ....Private a 11 3
Sword Dance (Mr. T. McAlpine) Hyams 5 10 7

3.0—HAMPTON 'CHASE, £200. 2½ m.
Age st. lb.
Bernstein (Lord Lonsdale) ....Gore a 12 7
Culprit (Mr. J. Buchanan) ....Gore 6 11 8
Ballincarroona (Major I. Straker) Hatt a 11 7
Loch Allen (Mr. V. Samuel) ....Gore a 11 7

LEOPARDSTOWN DECEMBER MEETING, 1919.

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26th AND 27th.

FIRST RACE EACH DAY, 1.15 p.m.

Members' Special leaves Harcourt street Station at 12.30 p.m. each day.

Gentlemen (non-resident in Ireland) can be admitted to the Club Enclosure on the introduction of a Member on payment of 23/- per day. Ladies 5/6 per day.

Combined Tickets for Grand Stand and Course (15/-) and for Public Stand and Course (4/-) will be on Sale at Harcourt street Station Booking Offices on each Race Day, and at Messrs. Brindley and Son, 11a Eustace street, Dublin, from Monday to Wednesday in week of Races.

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HOCKEY.

DUBLIN UNIVERSITY'S SOUTHERN TOUR.

The following will represent Dublin University on Tour at Cork on December 27, and Waterford on December 29th:—J. T. Ennis; J. H. B. Luke, R. M. Corbet; H. W. Strong, R. E. Murphy (capt.), D. W. P. Boyd; H. Worthington-Eyre, F. M. Hilliard, R. W. Varian, J. F. Mahony, S. G. Ronan.

WOLVERHAMPTON MEETING—
FRIDAY.

PROGRAMME.

1.0—BOXING DAY HURDLE, £100. 2 m.
Age st. lb.
Dalguise (Mr. J. Widger) ....Widger 5 12 7
Serban (Mr. H. Brown) ....H. Brown 5 12 7
Electric Spark (Mr. T. Lovell) Private 6 12 0
St. Yves (Mr. M. Burns) ....Private 4 11 8
Warbine (Mr. A. Chamberlain) Chamberlain a 11 6
Governor Wood (Mrs. B. Booth) B. Roberts 6 11 4
Small Holder (Capt. A. Cunard) Private 6 11 3
Paddington (Mr. A. Preece) R. Gordon a 11 1
Slave Crag (Lady Esme Gordon) Payne a 10 7
Brunswick (Mr. H. Bruton) Chamberlain a 10 0
Rosy Picton (Mr. A. Long) ....Dodd 3 10 0

1.30—WYFOLD HURDLE, £200. 2 m.
Age st. lb.
St. Eloi (Mr. W. Williams) ....Bletsoe a 12 7
Sea Imp (Mr. M. Inman) ....Godfrey 6 12 0
Governor Wood (Mrs. B. Booth) B. Roberts 6 12 0
Indian Feast (Mr. W. Wren) ....Payne a 12 0
Northcourt (Mr. H. Bruton) Chamberlain 5 12 0
Ballinacarrig (Mr. Parrish) ..Rogers 5 12 0
Eaton Hero (Mr. G. Sanday) ....Sanday 5 12 0
Savant (Mr. F. A. Brown) ....F. Brown 5 11 10
Barrack Square (Mr. Gilman) ..Gwilt a 11 10
Toyboat (Capt. Fenwick-Palmer) Palmer 5 11 10
Garryvoe (Mr. C. Ismay) ....Hastings 5 11 10
Snow Man (Mrs. Holt) ....Goswell 5 11 10
Paddington (Mr. Preece) ....R. Gordon a 11 10
Winkle (Mr. Norman) ....Private 5 11 10
Investment (Mr. T. Walker) ..R. Wall 5 11 10
Martinpuick (Mr. Preece) ....R. Gordon a 11 10
St. Elian (Mr. E. Platt) ....Cowap 5 11 10
Eager Monk (Maj. Power) ....Gilbert 5 11 10
Nubian (Mr. F. A. Brown) ....F. Brown 4 11 9
White Sand (Mr. J. Thorburn) ..Gwilt 4 11 9
Old Gold (Mr. J. Harvie) ....Poole 4 11 9
Fewston (Mr. W. Wren) ....Payne 4 11 9
Nebula (Mrs. A. Grayson) ....Private 4 11 5
Toise (Mr. Ducley) ....Private 4 11 5
Manister Market (Mr. J. Hogan) Owner 4 11 5
White Nile (Mr. Lumsden) ....Private 4 11 5
Wave's Crest (Mr. H. Hollins) Private 4 11 5
Hagiology (Mr. R. Mealing) ....Newey 3 10 11
Pomar (Mr. F. Bibby) ....Withington 3 10 0
Reparation (Sir H. Webb) ....Private 3 10 0
St. George (Mr. Sangster) ....Godfrey 3 10 0
Girvan (Mr. J. Greenwood) ....Godfrey 3 10 0
Little Milford (Mr. D. Harrison) Harrison 3 10 0
Aiken Drum (Lt.-Col. F. Isaac) Harrison 3 10 0

2.0—BUCKLEY HURDLE, £100. 2 m.
Age st. lb.
Svindune (Mr. F. Bibby) ..Withington 5 12 7
Vanitie (Mr. O. Carlton) ....Pope a 12 5
Martinpuick (Mr. A. Preece) R. Gordon a 12 5
Lord Ednam (Maj. Ratcliffe) ..Harrison 5 12 1
O C Honeymoon (Mr. G. Hilditch) Private 4 12 0
Trezidella (Mr. M. Inman) Godfrey 4 11 13
The Settler (Mr. G. W. Smith) Dodd 5 11 12
Theodosius (Mr. T. Guntrip) ..Lund 5 11 10
Flovetta (Mr. F. Phillips) ....Hatt 5 11 7
Lifebuoy (Col. D. Leslie) ....Hastings 5 11 6
Silent Sands (Mr. G. Sanday) Sanday 5 11 5
Temeside (Mr. T. Walker) W. Nightingall 4 11 3
Mataro (Capt. Fenwick-Palmer) Palmer 5 11 2
Tom Fool (Mr. H. Brown) ....H. Brown 5 11 2
Dornoch (Mr. J. Harvie) ....Poole 4 11 0
St. Cyrus (Mr. W. Philip) ....Newey 5 10 13
Gavrelle (Mr. M. Inman) ....Godfrey 3 10 13
Seven Stars (Mr. G. Hartey) ..Private 3 10 12
Twenty One (Mrs. T. Brooks) F. Brown a 10 12
Bigotry (Lady Nelson) ....Hastings 5 10 10
St. Gingoulph (Dr. Dixon) ....Pope 4 10 10
Paddington (Mr. A. Preece) R. Gordon a 10 8
Royal Flash (Mrs. Booth) ..B. Roberts 6 10 8
Gamelyn (Mr. A. Bates) ....J. F. Lyall 4 10 8
Fair Oaks (Mr. E. Johnson) ....Johnson a 10 7
Plymouth (Mr. J. Owen) ....Pope 6 10 7
Toby (Mrs. C. Hunter) ....Rooney 4 10 6
Norfolk Girl (Capt. Fenwick-Palmer) Palmer 4 10 5
Wistow (Mrs. W. Capel) ....Capel a 10 0
Slave Crag (Lady Esme Gordon) Payne a 10 0
Landowner (Mr. E. Trow) ....Private 4 10 0
Wood Ant (Mr. M. Cummins) ....Newey 3 10 0

2.30—CHRISTMAS 'CHASE, £300. 2 m.
Age st. lb.
Eager Simon (Mrs. R. Hollins) Gilbert a 12 7
Top Hole (Mr. F. Parnell) ....Payne a 12 5
Clonree (Mr. O. Toole) ....Morgan 5 12 5
Waylace (Sir G. Bullough) Hastings a 12 3
Bell Toll (Mr. H. Chappell) ....Dodd a 12 3
Square Dance (Mr. P. Matthey) ..Pope a 12 3
Mr. Pick (Mr. F. Bibby) ....Withington a 12 1
The Last (Mr. H. Brown) ....H. Brown a 11 4
Rathleague (Mr. E. Percy) R. Gordon a 11 2
Irish Rebellion (Mr. F. Brown) F. Brown 6 11 2
Royal Truce (Mr. P. Cullinan) Harrison 5 11 2
Prefect (Mr. W. Williams) ....Bletsoe a 10 10
Frejus (Mr. H. Gilman) ....Gwilt a 10 8
Stick to It (Sir H. Webb) ....Private 5 10 6
Jeffries (Mr. J. Spurrier) ....Spurrier a 10 0

3.0—SHIFNAL 'CHASE, £100. 2 m.
Age st. lb.
Aunt Anna (£100) (Mr. E. Johnson) Johnson a 11 10
George B. (£100) (Mr. W. Lea) ..J. Lea a 11 10
Bath (Mrs. N. Brownlee) ....Slevier a 11 1
Warbine (Mr. A. Chamberlain) Chamberlain a 11 1
Poor Willy (Mr. R. Duggan) ....Arnott a 11 1
Johnson (Mr. J. Spurrier) ....Spurrier a 11 1
United (Mr. C. Hayes) ....Law a 10 11
Cocker (Mr. A. Preece) ....R. Gordon a 10 11
Devil's Dyke (Mr. R. Yarnall) Private a 10 11
Murray's (Miss G. Tredwell) ....Private 5 10 3

3.25—KINLET 'CHASE, £200. 3 m.
Age st. lb.
Wavertree (Capt. Bibby) ..Withington a 11 11
Ballincarroona (Capt. I. Straker) F. Hartigan a 11 4
Copper Hill (Mrs. H. Hollins) ..Payne a 11 4
Square Dance (Mr. Matthey) ....Pope a 11 4
Ally Sloper (Lady Nelson) ..Hastings a 11 4
Kafue (Mr. B. Nicolson) ....Newey a 11 4
Top Hole (Mr. F. Parnell) ....Payne a 11 4
Turakina (Mr. J. Harvie) ....Cowap 5 10 11
Smashaway (Mr. J. Hogan) ....Owner 6 10 11
Mythical (Mr. W. Bankier) ..Hastings 5 10 11
Break Out (Mr. H. Whitworth) Chadwick a 10 11
Irish Rebellion (Mr. F. Brown) F. Brown 6 10 11
Steel Blue (Mr. F. Brown) ..F. Brown 5 10 4
Mountain Pass (Mr. M. Davis) Private 5 10 4
Michelino (Mr. H. Harrison) ..Harrison a 10 4
Gerald L. (Maj. F. Murray) ..Private 6 10 4
General Saxham (Mrs. J. Putnam) Private 6 10 4

SEDGEFIELD MEETING—
FRIDAY.

PROGRAMME.

1.0—MILITARY 'CHASE, £70. 3 m.
Age st. lb.
Command (Mr. A. Scott) ....A. Scott 6 13 1
Beadnell (Mr. A. Scott) ....A. Scott a 12 6
Sir Artegal (Mrs. F. Barrie) F. Barrie a 12 6
Patches (Maj. Frost) ....Private a 11 12
Pride of Holderness (Mrs. M. Rimington) ....Rimington a 11 12

1.30—MORDEN HURDLE £70. 2 m.
Age st. lb.
Pastures New (Mr. W. McElroy) M'Kenna a 12 3
Sir Artegal (Mrs. Barrie) ....Barrie a 12 3
Blind Love (Capt. J. Rogerson) J. Renwick 6 11 12
Simon Grab (Mr. R. Hopkins) Peacock 4 11 12
Whitehouse (Mr. W. Lax) ....Private 6 11 12
Auburn Hair (Mr. S. Clowes) ....Lund a 11 12
Drowsy Hum (Mr. Sanday) ....Sanday a 11 12
Command (Mr. A. Scott) ....A. Scott 6 11 12
Galloping Will (Mr. F. Bell) Private 5 11 7
Ned Crag (Mr. G. W. Smith) McCormack 5 11 7
Golden Chance (Capt. J. Rogerson) J. Renwick 5 11 7
Brussiloff (Mrs. H. Whitworth) Chadwick 4 11 7
Blazing Corn (Mr. D. Gillmore) Whipp 5 11 7
West Side (Mr. W. Hoslop) ....Private 5 11 7
Florence (Mr. J. M'Newland) ..Stobie 4 10 12
Treacherous (Mr. R. Freeman) Private 4 10 7
Racing Lore (Mr. S. Henderson) Private 4 10 7
Maclare (Mr. Murray) ....Private 4 10 7
Phil (Mr. H. Rooke) ....Private 3 10 7
James the First (Mr. T. Swann) Swann 3 10 7
Chilwell (Mr. H. Whitworth) Chadwick 4 10 7

2.0—SEDGEFIELD 'CHASE, £70. 2 m.
Age st. lb.
Prince Francis (Maj. Wilson) Bazley a 12 7
Willy Wyn (Mr. A. Scott) ....A. Scott 5 12 6
More Rain (Mr. S. Northfield) Barrett a 12 5
Sea Toiler (Lt.-Col. J. Fawcus) Private a 10 12
Collodion (Mr. S. Henderson) Private a 10 12

2.30—FISHBURN HURDLE, £70. 2 m.
Age st. lb.
Moaning Minnie (Mr. C. Ford) Casebourne 4 12 7
Beadnell (Mr. A. Scott) ....A. Scott a 12 6
Tar Baby (Mr. H. Bayley) ....Bazley a 12 6
Bonnie Nun (Mr. A. Bates) ....J. Lyall 6 12 5
West Side (Mr. W. Heslop) ....Private 5 12 2
Feretor (Mr. D. Macdonald) ..Private a 11 11
Pride of Holderness (Mrs. M. Rimington) ....Rimington a 11 10
Royal Turk (Mr. Aird) ....Private a 11 8
Bavington (Mr. E. Watson) ..Private a 11 7
Wee Phyllis (Capt. J. Barrett) Barrett a 11 6

3.0—WYNWARD 'CHASE, £70. 2 m.
Age st. lb.
Moorfield (Mr. W. Atkinson) Private 6 11 12
Landteel (Mr. H. Beckett) ....Bazley a 11 12
Branton Queen (Mr. Murray) Private 6 11 12
Blind Love (Capt. J. Rogerson) J. Renwick 6 11 12
Rigoletto (Mr. G. Charlton) Private a 11 12
Master Pallin (Mr. J. Lyall) ....Lyall a 11 12
Gleneffy (Mr. W. McElroy) McKenna 5 11 8
Norgili (Mr. B. Simpson) ....Private 5 11 8
Perforce (Mr. A. Scott) ....A. Scott 4 11 0

3.30—WINDLESTONE HURDLE, £70. 2 m.
Age st. lb.
Blind Love (Capt. J. Rogerson) J. Renwick 6 12 7
Waterbottle (Mr. A. Scott) A. Scott 6 12 7
Rosherville (Mr. S. Clowes) ....Lund 6 12 4
Brussiloff (Mrs. H. Whitworth) Chadwick 4 12 3
Finalist (Mr. J. M'Newland) ..Stobie 4 12 2
Harry Crag (Mr. G. W. Smith) McCormack a 11 11
Florence (Mr. J. M'Newland) Stobie 4 11 10
Lochar (Mr. D. J. Jardine) ....Peacock 5 11 10
Polesmen (Mr. S. Northfield) ..Barrett 4 11 7
Prince Lionel (Maj. S. Smith) Private 5 11 6
Chilwell (Mr. H. Whitworth) Chadwick 4 11 5
Gamelyn (Mr. A. Bates) ....J. Lyall 4 11 5
Simon Ashton (Mr. S. Henderson) Private a 11 2
Feretor (Mr. D. Macdonald) ..Private a 10 10
Meadowcroft (Mr. J. Torr) ....Bickley a 10 10
Blue Dale (Mr. E. Hill) ....Private a 10 10
Hysterical (Mr. J. Lyall) ..J. Lyall a 10 8

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SPORTING PARAGRAPHS.

Mistinguette, one of the brood mares recently stolen from Mr. J. D. Cohn's stud at Chamant, has been recovered.

Glenefly and Pastures New have left the Curragh to fulfil engagements at Sedgefield on Friday.

F. Mason has left Liverpool Royal Infirmary for his home at Hoylake. The well-known steeplechase jockey is, however, going about on crutches.

The Spring Show of the Hunters' Improvement and National Light Horse Breeding Society will be held at the Agricultural Hall on March 2, 3, and 4.

Luttear III. is shortly returning to France, where M. James Hennessy's old 'chaser holds several engagements. It is possible, however, that he will return to take another chance in the Grand National.

Rivershore, Atherton, and Fairy Thorn have been jumping hurdles under the supervision of C. Haley. The former, who cost 6,000 gns. at the October sales, unfortunately, broke a leg and had to be destroyed.

Our Newbridge Correspondent states that arrangements are being made at Kildare to form a committee for the purpose of promoting a race meeting in the immediate vicinity of the town. A steeplechase course (he says) has already been mapped out.

HUNTING.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

THE WARD UNION.

Date—Dec.	Meet.	Hour.
Wednesday, 24	Batterstown	1.30
Saturday, 27	8-Mile Stone	1.30
THE KILDARE.		
Friday, 26	Calverstown Village	11. 0
Saturday, 27	Courtown Gate	11. 0
THE MEATH.		
Wednesday, 24	Moynalty	11. 0
Friday, 26	Kilbride Cross-roads	11.30

HUNTING FIXTURES.

COUNTY LIMERICK HOUNDS.—December, 1919—Mon., 29th, Croom; Wed., 31st, Newbridge (12.30). January, 1920—Fri., 2nd, Knockaderry; Mon., 5th, The Four Elms; Wed., 7th, Frankfort Gate; Fri., 9th, Rockbarton; Mon., 12th, Caras Cross; Wed., 14th, Adare; Fri., 16th, Bruree. At 11 o'clock.

EAST GALWAY HOUNDS.—December, 1919—Tues., 30th, Tynagh. January, 1920—Fri., 2nd, Fairfield; Mon., 5th, Tynagh; Wed., 7th, Correen Castle; Fri., 9th, Stowlin. At 11 o'clock.

THE MEATH HOUNDS.

Last week-end brought some good hunting, beginning with Thursday, when Mountainstown was the fixture. The Master commenced with the gorse, which was blank, but, as sometimes happens, the reed bed alongside it held a fox. He ran first up to the Navan-Nobber road, and was headed there by traps and foot-people; so he went back to the gorse covert. Scent was quite good now, and hounds "rustled him up" so sharply that he had to leave. A nice hunt followed, the line being first along the bottoms, into Cluny, and then, at a good pace, up to the old house on Raffan Hill. Here hounds went right-handed through the edge of Spiddal, nearly to Brittas, before quite reaching which woodlands they came around by the left, and ran uphill into Cruicetown, the fox running out of scent close to the old windmill.

Sellar Glen was next drawn, and a fox found there was hunted fast over the hill to the road near Headstown, and was lost. Headstown held, too, but its fox went on by as far as Cornacop, and there got in. General Powell then moved off to draw Bengerstown, but just now a heavy wind-storm came on, and the M.F.H. decided to leave that covert for another day.

The meet at Moyglare on the last hunting day of the week was followed by some very good sport. The covert, all round the house, and the wild gorse were blank, the first fox being roused in Colestown. He broke on the Jenkinstown side of the covert, and at once hounds commenced to run very fast, carrying the line past the "Hatchet" to within one field of Rowanstown covert. They then turned, right-handed, into Wearingstown, where they had a lot of covert hunting, before the fox came out the way he had gone in, and was hunted into Rowanstown. Here there was a short delay; then away again, this time through Black Hall into Mr. Black's farm (where the fugitive tried a well-stopped sewer), and was pulled down in the next field. Pollestown held a brace, one of which being hunted very fast by Mr. W. McKeever's house at Parsonstown, over the station road, into Dirk's farm. On went the hunt, over the well-known "Double," which emptied a lot of saddles, into the "Poorhouse" gorse, right through it, and, pointing for Lagore Bog; but the Master stopped further pursuit in rapidly falling darkness.

GOLF.

PORTMARNOCK.—A stroke competition will be held on St. Stephen's Day; post entry and arrange partners. Train from Amiens street 10.20.

MILLTOWN.—December 26th—18-hole stroke competition. Draws every half-hour, from 10 a.m. till 2 p.m.

KINGSTOWN.—St. Stephen's Day—Morning, men's foursomes, strokes, sweepstakes; afternoon, men's four-ball v. bogey, sweepstakes.

GRANGE.—St. Stephen's Day—Morning, 18 holes (strokes), in classes; afternoon, club foursomes, 9 holes (bogey).

CASTLE.—St. Stephen's Day.—Men—Morning, 18 holes, bogey. Draws at 9.30 to 11.30. Afternoon—Mixed foursomes, 9 holes. Draws at 2.30. Ladies.—Morning—9 holes, stroke. Draws 11.30 to 12 o'clock. All competitions open to visitors introduced by, and playing with, members.

KILLINEY.—St. Stephen's Day and Saturday, continuous nine hole sweepstake (foursomes).

HERMITAGE.—St. Stephen's Day—Mixed foursomes and men's four-ball foursome (sweepstakes). Saturday—18 holes, stroke; prizes presented by members for best net score by players under and over 11 handicap, and for best gross score.

CO. LOUTH (BALTRAY).—St. Stephen's Day—Open sweepstakes, strokes; draws from 11 a.m. till 2 p.m.

PORTARLINGTON.—St. Stephen's Day—Prize presented by Mrs. W. H. M. Cobbe, flag competition; draw, 12 o'clock noon.

FOOTBALL.

RUGBY.

HOSPITALS' CHARITY MATCH.

CO. DUBLIN v. UNITED HOSPITALS.

The revival of the Co. Dublin v. United Hospitals match at Lansdowne road next Saturday will be welcomed by all followers of Rugby football. Never before was the object for which the match is played more deserving of support. The many demands for war charities caused a falling off in the subscriptions of the hospitals, and with expenses yearly on the increase, the funds were never so low. Apart from the charitable point of view, the match is certain to prove a big attraction, for two representative sides have been chosen, and it is the first trial game for the selection of the Leinster team. Some years prior to the war it was the custom to bring over an English County team to play Co. Dublin, but this it was found impossible to do this year. It so happens that the Hospitals can turn out a very strong side, which includes many South African players, so that the match should be a very interesting one. The kick-off is timed for 2.30, and for some time prior to this a military band will play a selection of music. Messrs. Every and Co., Sackville street, have kindly presented the ball for the occasion. Teams:—

Hospitals.—I. Marais (Meath); J. A. Dickson (Dun's), T. de Bruyn (Meath), P. Sullivan (Richmond), P. Breen (St. Vincent's); P. du Plessis (Adelaide), W. Cunningham (St. Vincent's); J. C. Coetzee (Richmond), J. Coughlan (St. Vincent's), A. Courtney (St. Vincent's), R. V. Crichton (Dun's), T. Heffernan (Baggot street), W. Russell (Dun's), P. Stokes (Mater), J. Van Druten (Adelaide). Subs.—A. Schofield (Mater), P. Roddy (Mercer's), J. Donovan (Mater), J. Keohane (St. Vincent's), D. Temple (St. Vincent's), F. O'Donnell (Mercer's), J. C. Thompson (Adelaide), J. O'Connell (Richmond), W. Smith (Dun's), F. Pienaar (Mercer's).

Co. Dublin.—W. E. Crawford (Lansdowne); M. Wilson (Wanderers), E. Culhane (Bective), H. Cormac (Clontarf), M. Abraham (Bective); S. Polden (Clontarf), D. C. Pickeman (Monkstown); W. Collopy (Bective), A. H. Price (Trinity), N. Purcell (Lansdowne), R. Collopy (Bective), N. Clarke (Old Wesley), W. Kenny (Blackrock), W. Murphy (U.C.), P. Dunne (Bective). Subs.—J. O'Brien (Old Belvedere); N. Tipping, A. E. Dallas; D. Temple (U.C.), A. E. Dallas (Clontarf), N. Potterton (Wanderers), J. Thompson (Monkstown), S. Campbell (Lansdowne), J. O'Connell (Blackrock), J. Murphy (Old Belvedere).

ENGLAND v. THE REST.

The third trial match arranged by the English Rugby Union prior to meeting Wales at Swansea on January 17th will be played at Twickenham on Saturday afternoon, January 3rd, and the rival teams chosen for the encounter were issued on Monday night. At the special request of the Selection Committee, J. E. Greenwood, the Light Blue captain, has reconsidered his decision to retire from the game, and has consented to play. He has had the honour conferred upon him of being appointed captain.

The teams are as under:—

England.—H. Millett (Richmond); W. M. Lowry (Birkenhead), E. Hammett (Newport), J. A. Krige (Guy's Hospital), C. N. Lowe (Blackheath); C. A. Kershaw (United Services), W. J. A. Davies (United Services); J. E. Greenwood (capt.) (Cambridge University), G. S. Conway (Cambridge University), S. Holford (Gloucester), F. W. Mellish (Blackheath), Capt. W. W. Wakefield (Harlequins), S. J. White (Headingley), W. H. Wright (Plymouth), and A. T. Voyce (Gloucester).

The Rest.—B. S. Cumberlege (Blackheath); S. W. Harris (Blackheath), A. R. Aslett (R.M.C., Sandhurst), A. M. Smallwood (Cambridge University), H. L. V. Day (The Army); W. Dix (Gloucester), R. Coverdale (capt.) (Blackheath); S. Smart (Gloucester), A. F. Blakiston (Northampton), E. Dove (Sunderland), A. Morgan (Carlisle), L. P. B. Merriam (Blackheath), E. Rodda (Camborne), R. E. Sharp (Newton Abbot), and H. F. Waldock (Oxford University).

HOLIDAY FIXTURES.

ST. STEPHEN'S DAY.

N.I.F.C. v. Monkstown, Ormeau, Belfast.
Enniscorthy v. Palmerston, at Enniscorthy.

SATURDAY.

Co. Dublin v. Dublin Hospitals, Lansdowne road.
Enniscorthy v. Palmerston.—At Enniscorthy.
St. Stephen's Day.—Enniscorthy team—B. Millar; A. A. Connolly, C. J. Lett, P. D. Murphy, T. O'Brien; H. W. Morrison, S. Mitchell; P. A. Bolger, B. Ennis, A. Ennis, G. Lett, T. Lett, H. W. Milne, F. S. Ringwood, J. J. Stephens.

ASSOCIATION.

CITY CUP FIXTURES.

Dec. 25—Cliftonville v. Belfast Celtic, Cliftonville.
Dec. 25—Glentoran v. Linfield. The Oval.
Dec. 25—Bohemians v. Shelbourne. Dalymount Park.
Dec. 26—Distillery v. Glenavon. Grosvenor Park.
Dec. 26—Linfield v. Cliftonville. Windsor Park.
Dec. 26—Celtic v. Glentoran. Celtic Park.

LEINSTER SENIOR LEAGUE.

Dec. 25—Olympia v. Ulster. Shelbourne Park, 12 o'clock.

THE SUSPENSION OF GLENTORAN PLAYERS.

The Senior Protest and Appeals Committee of the Irish Football Association decided to reconsider the case of Glentoran Club last night, nine of whose players had been suspended as a sequel to the recent unfinished match against Bohemians in Dublin. The Committee decided to adjourn the matter until January 1st. By this decision the players remain suspended.

SWIMMING.

SANDYCOVE S.C.—Annual Christmas Day race will be held at the "Forty-Foot" at 11.30 a.m. to-morrow (Thursday).

CLONTARF CLUB.—The Christmas morning race will be held at Clontarf Baths, at 12 o'clock.

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BILLIARDS.

VICTORY TOURNAMENT.

INMAN v. REECE.

Conceding 1,500 start in 16,000 up, Inman drew further away from Reece in the fourth heat of the Victory Tournament at Burroughes' Hall, London, yesterday afternoon. The champion scored 870 to Reece's 514, the respective averages being 45 and 27. The chief breaks were 248 (full), 169, 75, 188, 55, 113, and 165 (unfinished) by Inman; and 273 and 53 by Reece. Interval scores:—Inman (in play), 9,349; Reece (rec. 1,500), 8,820. Closing scores:—Reece (to play), 9,689; Inman, 9,767.

NEWMAN v. FALKINER.

At Thurston's, Leicester square, London, yesterday afternoon, Newman was again in fine form, and ran to his points with an excellent unfinished break of 202. He took his unfinished break to 235, and afterwards made 87, 102, and 109, Falkiner's best being 74 and 87. Newman's aggregate during the session was 699, and his average 77 against Falkiner's figures of 191 and 21, respectively. Interval scores:—Newman (in play), 2,100; Falkiner, 1,020. Closing scores—Newman (in play), 2,801; Falkiner, 1,479.

SNOOKER POOL.

RECORD BY NEWMAN.

Owing to the fact that Newman scored his stipulated number of points so quickly in his match with Falkiner yesterday forenoon, the players gave an exhibition of snooker pool, when Newman created a new record by compiling a break of 86. The highest professional snooker pool break previously was 75, which stood to the credit of the late John Roberts and J. Harris, of Manchester.

DEATH OF JOHN ROBERTS.

John Roberts, the greatest personality the world of billiards has known, passed away at his home at Worthing on Monday, in his 73rd year. He was for thirty years the dominating personality in billiards, and not only did he by his personal efforts and example raise the game in which he so brilliantly excelled from the level of the coffee house attraction in which he found it in his young manhood, to a refined and intellectual entertainment, but the professional game of billiards, as it is known to-day, resulted from his discovery of its possibilities and his cultivation of its charms for the public. Young John Roberts, as he was generally known by way of distinguishing him from his father, who was the champion before him in the far-off days of worsted cushions and wooden-bedded tables, was born at Ardwick, Manchester, in August, 1847, and lived all his early life in the atmosphere of billiards. That at the age of 19 he should have threatened the position of the old players was not, therefore, surprising. In 1870 he won his first championship, two months after his father had been compelled to surrender it to the late W. Cook, but nearly two years previously he had, as a stripling, beaten Cook in his first important match of 1,000 up at the Bentinck Club, Strand. His first noteworthy effort in break-building was in 1874, when, at the Reform Club at Stockport, he made 800 off the balls in the all-in game, but after defeating Cook again for the championship at Argyll street, London, in 1885, when he was indisputably far in front of every other player, he abandoned the all-in game, with its monotonous sequence of red winners, for the spot-barred game. He was the first to realise that concentration on any one stroke would kill billiards as a public entertainment, and for many years afterwards he regularly created the billiard-loving public, who flocked to the halls where he was playing, with dazzling displays of the game in all its phases. None of the men who have succeeded him in the sport has ever attained to anything like the position he held down to 1906, when he finally retired. Amongst the outstanding triumphs of his long and brilliant career may be mentioned his spot-barred break of 1,392 against Diggle at Manchester in 1894, scored in seventy-two minutes; 867, spot-barred, at the Egyptian Hall the same season; and a thousand against Peall, spot and push barred, in 1895.

ATHLETICS AND CYCLING.

CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNING.

DONORE HARRIERS.—The 10-mile handicap (Waterhouse-Byrne Shield) takes place on Saturday at 2 o'clock. All runners and officials meet at Kilmainham at 1 o'clock sharp. The following is the handicap:—W. E. Murray, scratch; J. Smith, P. Byrne, 30 secs.; W. Cooke, S. Pearson, 1 min.; H. B. Gunn, 1 min. 45 secs.; J. J. Cronin, 2 mins.; F. Kelly, 2 mins. 30 secs.; F. McCauley, 2 mins. 45 secs.; D. Murphy, 3 mins.; J. S. Palmer, 3 mins. 30 secs.; G. Lewis, 3 mins. 45 secs.; T. Millington, C. Kenny, 4 mins. 15 secs.; T. Howley, J. Lynch, 5 mins. 30 secs.; J. McManus, 6 mins.; T. Bolton, 6 mins. 30 secs.; T. Cooke, 7 mins.; T. "Conneff," 7 mins. 30 secs.; J. Duffy, F. McNamara, 8 mins.; C. Birks, 8 mins. 30 secs.; G. Glennon, A. Kelly, B. O'Hagan, 9 mins.; P. Dempsey, W. E. Ennis, 9 mins. 30 secs.; T. Reid, C. McNamara, H. R. McMahon, 10 mins.; W. Jones, T. Birch, Birks, 10 mins. 30 secs.; H. Brabazon, T. Doherty, 11 mins.; F. Tackaberry, 11 mins. 30 secs.; F. McClean, S. O'Connor, 12 mins.

BOXING.

JOZY FOX DEFEATS JOE LYNCH.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

NEW YORK, TUESDAY.

Jozy Fox beat Joe Lynch on points last night in a fast eight-round bout. In the final round Fox floored his opponent, who rose in a very dazed condition.

CONTESTS IN BELFAST.

The Belfast Branch of the Comrades of the Great War last night promoted a series of boxing contests in the Ulster Hall, Belfast. Odris Meredith, of Wales, was so severely punished by Jim Dwyer, of Dublin, that he retired at the end of the ninth round. Mick Ronan was disqualified in the tenth round for using his head against Arthur Tracey, of Darwen; Billy Maguire (Belfast) lost on points against Dick Lawton (Barnsley); Chamberlain (Penrith) beat Pat M'Allister (Belfast) on points; and Jim M'Ilvenny (Belfast) lost to Jack Crowe (Birmingham), the referee stopping the bout.

TIPPERARY HOUSING SCHEME.

Under the powers conferred upon them by Section 8 (1) (b) of the Housing (Ireland) Act, 1919, the Tipperary Union District Council propose to acquire the interest in 44 houses in Tipperary East and West Urban Divisions. Further particulars regarding the acquisition of these properties will be found in our advertising columns.

SERIOUS FLOODING IN TYRONE.

As a result of two days' excessive and continuous rain the rivers in County Tyrone rose rapidly on Monday with injurious effect in the rural districts of Omagh, Clogher, and Castlederg. Vast areas were inundated, and the landscape in several instances presented the appearance of a vast lake. At Omagh dozens of stores were flooded and considerable damage done, while the Mountjoy road and Sedan avenue were converted into a swift-flowing current, several feet deep. The whole of the Lismallard portion of the town was isolated, and even vehicular traffic was brought to a standstill in this part of the town. The Fairy Water, a confluence of the Strule, rising rapidly, submerged many thousands of acres.

TROOPS FROM INDIA.

Fifteen hundred and ninety troops from India landed in Plymouth yesterday from the P. and O. steamer Devanha. All are for demobilisation.

EXCITING SCENE IN LONDONDERRY.

POLICE STRUGGLE WITH ARMED SINN FEINER.

EVIDENCE IN COURTMARTIAL.

At a district courtmartial, in Londonderry on Monday, Patrick Shiels, Sinn Fein Registration Agent in Londonderry, was tried on a charge of having arms and ammunition in his possession. The prisoner, who was arrested on the 12th September, on the occasion of the all-Ireland police and military raid, has had a remarkable experience since. By writ, the King's Bench Division was moved to suspend the proceedings against the accused, pending the conclusion of the Revision Sessions, then about to commence, and an order was made for the attendance of the accused daily at the court. For the past eleven weeks he has been doing so daily under police escort, being motored every morning from the jail to the court. The sessions concluded on Saturday.

On Monday the courtmartial was held at Ebrington Barracks, Londonderry. On being asked if he had any objection to the members of the Court, the prisoner said that he had no objection to the members personally, but he did not recognise the Court, which only represented the Army of Occupation, with no right in the country. When asked to plead, Shiels again replied that he did not recognise the Court.

Sergeant Higgins, Royal Irish Constabulary, stated that on the 12th September, by order of the County Inspector, he went with three constables and six soldiers to search the prisoner's house for arms, ammunition, explosives, and seditious literature. Going upstairs witness knocked at Shiels' bedroom door, and looked inside. Shiels was on the bed undressed. He said—"Wait until I put on my trousers." Witness waited, but still remained looking through the door, which he held slightly open. Accused pulled on his trousers, and got up to come towards the door, thus passing out of witness's sight. Witness then pushed open the door in order to enter the room. The moment the door was opened, said witness, Shiels faced me with a loaded revolver in each hand. Both revolvers were levelled at me. He said "Clear out," or "Come on," or words to that effect. I immediately ducked, and seized Shiels round the body, grasping his left hand with my right. I overpowered him, and bore him back on the bed, where I caught him by the throat. The constables came to my assistance, and we disarmed Shiels, who was at once handcuffed. Shiels made no resistance afterwards, and showed me how to unload one of the revolvers, which was a Colt. In the room I found 25 rounds of revolver ammunition, 19 rifle cartridges, three blank cartridges, and fourteen revolvers bullets, small size. Witness added that he asked the prisoner would he give his word of honour that he would give no trouble. He said that he would, and kept it faithfully.

Accused did not cross-examine the witness.

Constables Kenny and McQuilken also gave evidence, and stated that when Shiels was being escorted to the police station a large and hostile crowd assembled. Shiels shouted, "Three cheers for the Irish Republic." The escort were stoned, all the members being hit, Shiels was also struck. He then appealed to the crowd to stop, and they did so.

This concluded the Crown case, and the prisoner called no witnesses. He asked why the delay took place in regard to the trial. He had been four months in prison.

The President—That has nothing to do with the case. You had better ask the prison authorities. I can only deal with the case as it comes before me.

The decision will be promulgated.

COUNTY KILDARE FARM WORKERS' WAGES.

In view of the termination of the existing agreement between the County Kildare Farmers' Union and the Transport Workers' Union on 31st inst., a conference between representatives of the two unions was held in the Farming Society's Buildings, Naas, on Monday, when the Transport Workers' Union submitted a demand for 40s. per week. The delegates from the Farmers' Union agreed to sign an agreement on behalf of the union, to come into operation on 1st January, 1920, and to terminate on 31st December, 1920, on existing terms—viz., 34s. per week of 10-hour day in North Kildare, and 32s. per week of 10-hour day in South Kildare, in the areas to which these terms already applied. This offer, which it was stated by the representatives of the Farmers' Union, was made without prejudice, and would not hold good after that day, was rejected by the Transport Union delegates, and the conference, which lasted two hours, came to an end.

THE RECENT BREAD VANMEN'S STRIKE.

PICKET FINED.

In the Northern Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Cooper, K.C., Patrick Beatty, George Cullen, David Hope, Richard Houlihan, and Hugh Coghlan, were charged on remand with having stopped a breadvan belonging to Mr. McGuinness, Booterstown. It appeared the defendants were breadvan men, at the time on strike, and had unloaded sacks of flour on to the footpath, and distributed the bread amongst children. An arrangement had been made with the complainant since the last hearing of the summonses, and under the circumstances the defendants were fined ten shillings each.

ST. STEPHEN'S GREEN METHODIST CHURCH.

At 11 a.m. to-morrow a Service of Praise will be held in St. Stephen's Green Methodist Church, Dublin. The church choir, under the direction of Mr. A. S. Deale, will render various items from "The Messiah," including the Hallelujah Chorus. The soloists will include Lieut. Alfred Deale and Master Eustace Fannin. The Rev. James Grubb will preach on "Christ, the Homeless."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

THE CENTRAL EMERGENCY FUND.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—The Committee, with the cordial approval of the two Archbishops, as expressed below, earnestly request that collections for the Central Emergency Fund be made in every church in Ireland on Sunday, 4th January next.

So far, a sum of about £7,000 has been received, of which about £5,000 is now being distributed among the most necessitous clergymen.—Yours, etc.,

FARNHAM,
J. A. MACONCHY, } Hon. Secretaries.
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W. J. GOULDING, Hon. Treasurer,
52 St. Stephen's Green, E., Dublin,
December 22nd, 1919.

[LETTER FROM THE ARCHBISHOPS.]

We cordially commend to the clergy and laity of the Church of Ireland the appeal for the Central Emergency Fund, which will, we hope, be made in our churches on the first Sunday of the new year.

JOHN B. ARMAGH.
CHARLES F. DUBLIN.

THE RATHMINES ELECTIONS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—On the 15th January an election will take place for twenty-one Councillors to administer the affairs of the Rathmines Township during the next three years. At the election a number of gentlemen professing Sinn Fein principles will seek election, and it is for the electors to decide into whose hands they will commit the future management of the township. I think it is generally admitted that, having regard to the many difficulties caused by the war, including greatly increased expenses, the township is kept in a very creditable state, and the taxes, as compared with those of other townships, are not excessive.

What do the Sinn Fein candidates offer? Can they suggest any changes which would be real improvements, or show how the present heavy expenses of management can be reduced? If, however, they suggest that a mere change of political opinions on the part of the Council would bring about a substantial improvement in the condition of the township, it is for the electors by their votes to say whether they agree with them or not, having regard to the fact that hitherto politics have been rigorously excluded from the consideration of township matters by the Council.

The forthcoming election will be the first carried out in the Township under the provisions of the Proportional Representation Act, and, in order to give this Act a fair trial, it is of the utmost importance that all residents in the township possessing a vote shall record their votes on the date of the election, and thus make clear to the Council elected the principles on which they wish the affairs of the township to be administered.—Yours, etc.,

"A RESIDENT."

Rathmines, December 23rd, 1919.

REMEMBER THE ANIMALS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Will you kindly insert the following appeal by Mr. Fairholme?—"In view of the fact that the Christmas holidays will extend over four days this year, and that all business premises will be closed for that time, may I point out that provision (food, water, milk, and shelter) should be made for the proper care of cats and dogs which have to be left on these premises during the holidays? Householders leaving their homes for Christmas week should take care that their pet animals are properly looked after in their absence."—Yours, etc.,

(MRS.) K. M. SHEWELL.

Galway, December 22nd, 1919.

DUBLIN STEVEDORE'S DEATH.

Dr. Louis A. Byrne, City Coroner, held an inquiry into the death of Garret Fagan yesterday at the South Dublin Union. Deceased was a stevedore, and met with an accident in May last. He was removed to Jervis street Hospital, and later to the South Dublin Union, where he died on Saturday. The evidence at yesterday's inquest was of a technical nature.

Joseph Geraghty, 58 Mary's road, said that he was the winch driver. Fagan and Kenny called to him to heave up. He did so. When he slackened back one sack remained on the winch, and Fagan was clinging to it. He swung across the hatchway, and then dropped down. At the end of the drop deceased let go of the sack, and fell into the bottom of the hold. Witness assisted in picking up deceased, and putting him on the ambulance.

Dr. Cremin, visiting physician to the Union, said that deceased died from a fracture of the spine. The injuries could have been caused by falling into the hold of a ship.

A verdict of accidental death, in accordance with the medical evidence, was returned.

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A telegram from The Hague, dated Monday, states:—The Second Chamber of the Senate General to-day passed an amendment, proposed by M. Marchant, Liberal Democrat, refusing to grant the Minister of War the sum of nearly 2,000,000 florins for the manufacture of munitions. The Chamber then passed, by a majority of 25, the Army Estimates for 1920, but the Minister of War, Jonkheer Alting Von Geusau, who had already met with several rebuffs during the debate on the Estimates, declared that he was not willing to take the responsibility for them in their amended form, and would therefore resign. This is the second resignation from the Cabinet within the last few weeks, the Minister of Marine having resigned a few weeks ago in consequence of the rejection of the Naval Estimates.

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PUBLIC NOTICES.

ROYAL DUBLIN SOCIETY.

SCIENCE LECTURES FOR JUVENILES.

CHRISTMAS COURSE.

Hugh G. Levingston, A.I.O., A.R.C.Sc.I.—The Constituents of the Air, December 29th and 31st.
Philip E. Belas, M.Sc., A.R.C.Sc.I.—The Tension of Liquid Surfaces, January 2nd; Vibration and Resonance, January 5th.
Rev. W. F. A. Ellison, M.A., B.D., F.R.A.S.—The Sun and Moon, January 7th; Comets, Planets and Stars, January 9th.
Lectures begin at 4 p.m. Tickets for course, 6/-; single lecture, 1/-. Syllabus on application at Leinster House, Kildare street.

HOUSING OF THE WORKING CLASSES (IRELAND) ACTS, 1890 TO 1919.

Under the powers conferred upon them by Section 8 (1) (b) of the Housing (Ireland) Act, 1919, the Tipperary Urban District Council propose to acquire otherwise than by agreement for the purposes of Part 3 of the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890, any estate or interest in the forty-four houses below described, together with any lands occupied with such houses.

The houses in question were erected by means of loans advanced to Lord Barrymore—then Mr. A. H. S. Barry—in the years 1878 to 1880, inclusive, under the provisions of the "Land Improvement" Acts, 10th Vic., cap. 32, and the Acts since passed amending same.

The loans were granted for the purpose of providing "sufficient accommodation for the labourers required for the proper cultivation of the estate," and "for the promotion of agriculture or the improvement of lands," and have not been used for the purposes aforesaid.

The houses are situate within the Urban District of Tipperary, as follows:—

No. on plan.	Electoral Division.	Townland.	No. of Houses.	Description.	Quantity of land proposed to be taken, including land covered by houses (Statute Measure). A. R. P.
1	Tipperary East Urban	Carronreddy	1	At junction of Kingswell and Greenrath roads	0 1 10 or thereabouts
2	Same area	Same (Davis street) ..	4	Adjoining Mr. P. L. Ryan's Salerooms	0 1 6 „
3	Same area	Spittal-land	13	At East end of Spittal street	3 3 11 „
4	Same area	Brodeen	11	Known as Brodeen Cottages	0 3 8 „
5	Tipperary West Urban	Murgaty	15	Known as The Murgaty Cottages	1 2 25 „
		Totals	44	......	6 3 12

A plan of the houses and lands proposed to be so acquired can be inspected at the Council's Offices, Emmett street, Tipperary, between the hours of 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. daily.
Signed on behalf of Tipperary Urban District Council this 4th day of December, 1919.
T. DAWSON, Clerk to Council.

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THIS XMAS IS INCOMPLETE WITHOUT VISITING
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THE NATIONAL BANK, LIMITED.
A BRANCH of this BANK will be OPENED at 98-100 FALLS ROAD, BELFAST,
On FRIDAY, the 2nd of JANUARY, 1920, and will be in charge of Mr. John McKenna.
By Order of the Board,
J. J. O'CONNELL, General Manager.
34 College Green, Dublin.

POLLING DAY HINTS TO ELECTORS, ABOUT THE NEW METHOD OF VOTING UNDER PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION will be found in a Special Article in the CHRISTMAS NUMBER of the WEEKLY IRISH TIMES Now on Sale, price Threepence.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

THE PUBLIC HEALTH (IRELAND) ACTS, 1878 TO 1918.

WHEREAS the Corporation of Dublin have presented a Petition to the Local Government Board for Ireland, praying for a Provisional Order under these Acts:

AND WHEREAS the proper advertisements have been published, notices served, and plans deposited for public inspection:

AND WHEREAS the said Corporation have applied to the Local Government Board for their sanction to a Loan of £11,790 for the purpose of defraying the cost of the undertaking.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Local Government Board hereby GIVE NOTICE:—

I. That the purport of the proposed Order is to empower the Corporation to put in force the powers of the Lands Clauses Acts with respect to the purchase and taking, otherwise than by Agreement, of the Lands set forth in the Petition of the said Corporation, the denominations and quantities of which were stated in the said advertisements, and described in the said Petition for the purpose of widening and improving Chancery street.

II. That they have instructed their Inspector, J. F. MacCabe, Esq., to make a Local Inquiry into the said Petition, and as to the propriety of assenting to the prayer thereof, and also to hold a Local Inquiry in the matter of the application for sanction to the said Loan of £11,790, and to report to them thereon; and that the said J. F. MacCabe will attend at the City Hall, Dublin, on FRIDAY, the 9th day of JANUARY, 1920, at the hour of 11 o'clock a.m., to make inquiry accordingly.

III. That all persons interested will be permitted to attend and make objections to the proposed Provisional Order, and all Ratepayers in the County Borough of Dublin may attend at the Inquiry and make objection to the said Loan being sanctioned, or any such objections may be forwarded to the Local Government Board at their Office, Custom House, Dublin, to be received there on or before Thursday, the 8th day of January, 1920.

By Order of the Board,
A. R. BARLAS, Secretary.
Local Government Board, Dublin,
22nd December, 1919.

COUNTY BOROUGH OF DUBLIN.
THE PROFITEERING ACT, 1919.

Notice is hereby given that the Municipal Council has, in compliance with the invitation of the Board of Trade, appointed a Local Committee for the County Borough of Dublin, to administer the powers delegated to them by the said Board under the above Act.

The Local Committee is prepared to receive, hear, and determine all complaints that an unreasonable profit has been made, or sought to be made, in connection with any retail transaction within the County Borough of Dublin concerning any article, or class of articles, to which the Act applies.

All such complaints must be lodged, in writing, with the Clerk of the Local Committee at the City Hall, Dublin, within four days of the date of the sale or transaction which is the subject of the complaint.

The Act applies to the following:—
(1) All Articles of Wearing Apparel (excluding Standard Clothing).
(2) All Household Utensils and Requisites.
(3) All Articles For Mending and Knitting.
(4) All Articles of Furniture (excluding Antique Furniture).
(5) All Building Materials.
(6) All Drugs (excluding Quinine Sulphate) and Medicinal Preparations.
(7) Medical and Surgical Appliances and Dressings.
(8) All Articles used for Fuel and Lighting (excluding Coal).
(9) All Tools.
(10) Weights, Measures, Weighing Instruments and Measuring Instruments.
(11) All Articles of Food included in Schedule II. of the Order of the Board of Trade dated 11th September, 1919.
(12) Motor Spirit used, or capable of being used, for supplying motive power to motor vehicles, whether taxed or not.

By Order of the Local Committee,
HENRY CAMPBELL, Town Clerk.
Town Clerk's Office, City Hall, Dublin,
23rd December, 1919.

NOTICE OF ELECTION.
DUBLIN PORT AND DOCKS ACT, 1898.
ELECTION OF ELECTIVE MEMBERS

THE DUBLIN PORT AND DOCKS BOARD hereby GIVE NOTICE:—

1.—That an Election of SEVEN TRADERS' MEMBERS and SIX SHIPPING MEMBERS of the DUBLIN PORT AND DOCKS BOARD will be held between the hours of 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. on TUESDAY, the 6th day of JANUARY, 1920, at the CORN EXCHANGE, 11 BURGH QUAY, DUBLIN.

2.—Each Candidate must be nominated by writing, subscribed by two Electors as Proposer and Seconder, and the Nomination Paper must be duly signed by the Candidate or some person duly authorised by him in writing for such purpose as consenting to such Nomination.

3.—The Nomination Paper must state the surname and other names of the Candidate, with his abode or place of business and description, and must specify whether the Candidate is proposed as a "TRADERS' Member" or as a "SHIPPING Member," and the Nomination Paper may be in the following form, or to the like effect:—

NOMINATION PAPER—DUBLIN PORT AND DOCKS ACT, 1898.
Election of ELECTIVE Members of the Board.
To be held on TUESDAY, the 6th day of JANUARY, 1920.

We, the undersigned, being respectively Electors, hereby nominate the following person as a Candidate:—

Surname.	Other Names.	Abode or Place of Business	Description.
SMITH	WILLIAM HENRY	100 City quay	Timber Merchant

The above-named William Henry Smith is proposed as a*..........Member.
* State whether Traders' Member or Shipping Member.

Signature.	Number on Register of Electors.
THOMAS JONES	360
JAMES ROBINSON	720

I, the above-named William Henry Smith, hereby consent to my being nominated as a Candidate at the said Election.
Dated this......day of..........19...
Signed ‡WILLIAM HENRY SMITH.
‡ Signature of Candidate or person duly authorised to sign the Nomination Paper on his behalf.

4.—Each Candidate must be nominated by a separate Nomination Paper, but the same Electors may subscribe as many Nomination Papers as there are vacancies to be filled, but no more.

5.—Nomination Papers must be delivered by the Candidate himself or by his Proposer or Seconder to the Secretary of the Board, or to some person authorised to receive the same, at the Office of the Dublin Port and Docks Board, before FOUR o'clock in the afternoon of SATURDAY, the 27th day of DECEMBER, 1919.

6.—The Returning Officers will attend at the Office of the DUBLIN PORT AND DOCKS BOARD on MONDAY, the 29th day of DECEMBER, 1919, for a sufficient time between the hours of two and four o'clock in the afternoon to hear and decide objections to Nomination Papers.

7.—Forms of Nomination Papers may be obtained at the Offices of the Secretary of the Board.

Port and Docks Office, Dublin.
Dated this 19th day of December, 1919.
N. PROUD, Secretary.

BARRINGTON LECTURE TRUST

The Trustees of the Barrington Lecture Fund, in conjunction with the Statistical and Social Inquiry Society of Ireland, hereby give notice that they intend to appoint a Lecturer on Economic and Social Science for 1920-1, who shall, in accordance with the Will of John Barrington, who died in 1836, deliver Lectures "in the various towns and villages in Ireland on Political Economy in its most extended and useful sense, but particularly as relates to the conduct and duty of people to one another."

The Trustees will require such Lecturer to deliver 25 Lectures, beginning next autumn, in such counties in Ireland as they may decide upon. Fee for the course: £150. No expenses paid.

Intending candidates are invited to send in their names and qualifications, with not more than six testimonials, to the Honorary Secretaries of the said Society, No. 95 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, not later than the 31st January, 1920, to whom those requiring further information are referred.

PROVISION TRADE.

The MEMBERS of the IRISH WHOLESALE PROVISION and PRODUCE TRADES have decided to DISCONTINUE the custom of giving CHRISTMAS or NEW YEAR GIFTS.

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SERMONS.

METHODIST CHURCH, STEPHEN'S GREEN.

CHRISTMAS DAY, 1919.
SERVICE, 11 o'clock.
Preacher: Rev. JAMES GRUBB.
ANTHEMS FROM "MESSIAH."
Solo—"There were Shepherds."
Chorus—"Glory to God."
Solo—"For behold darkness."
Chorus—"For unto us."
HALLELUJAH CHORUS.
CHRISTMAS HYMNS and CAROLS.

THE ABBEY CHURCH, RUTLAND SQUARE.

XMAS DAY, 1919.
SPECIAL CHORAL SERVICE,
at 11 a.m.
Preacher: Rev. DENHAM OSBORNE, M.A., D.D.
Christmas Music (Solos and Choruses) and "Hallelujah" Chorus, from "The Messiah" (Handel), by Augmented Choir.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR TO-DAY.

Theatre Royal—Hippodrome, 6.45 and 8.50 p.m.
Gaiety Theatre—Closed.
Queen's—"Jack and the Beanstalk," 6.30 and 8.45.
Empire Theatre—Closed.
Tivoli Theatre—6.45 and 8.45 p.m.
Bohemian Picture Theatre—Closed.
Kingstown Pavilion—Pictures, 3.30 to 10.15 p.m.

An Exchange Paris message says that, according to Rome advices, King Victor Emmanuel will visit the United States next summer, and also South America, unless the political situation prevents him from carrying out his desires.

By Order in Council, under the Welsh Church Act, gazetted last night, the dissolution of the Commissioners of the Church Temporalities in Wales, which would take effect at the end of the present year, is suspended, and their powers extended for a further four years.

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WEATHER FORECAST.

General Inference.—A depression centred near Orkney will move away eastward or east-southeastward, but other disturbances are likely to arrive from the westward, and maintain the unsettled type of weather, with winds from between S.W. and W. There are no indications of any great change in temperature.

Ireland.—Wind mainly between W. and S.W., light or moderate, fresh locally; variable sky; some showers; visibility rather good; moderate temperature.

HIGH WATER AT DUBLIN BAR.

	Morning	Evening
To-day	0.10	0.29
To-morrow	0.47	1. 6

SUNRISE AND SUNSET.

	Rises	Sets
To-day	8.40	4. 9
To-morrow	8.40	4.10

LIGHTING-UP TIME .... 5.9 P.M.

The Irish Times.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1919.

The Allied Powers in Paris have presented their reply to the Latest German Note, and Von Lersner has transmitted it to Berlin. There are hopes that the terms will be accepted.

The King's Speech proroguing Parliament said that the signal success of the Prince of Wales's visit to Canada and Newfoundland had filled his heart with pride and satisfaction. His Majesty was confident that the Prince's visit to America would have the happiest effect on the relations between the British Empire and that great Republic. Public opinion throughout the world was deeply interested in Great Britain's manner of dealing with the labour and industrial problem. His Majesty was confident that the course was set fair towards renewal of prosperity.

The King yesterday issued a proclamation to the Indian people upon the Royal Assent being signified to the Government of India Bill. The proclamation stated that the Act entrusted the elected representatives of the people with a definite share in the government of India, and pointed the way to full responsible government hereafter. His Majesty directs the Viceroy to exercise the Royal clemency to political offenders in the fullest measure compatible with public safety. An amnesty is also extended to the offenders under emergency legislation. Simultaneously with the new Constitution the King has assented to the establishment of a Chamber of Princes. The proclamation concludes with the announcement of the King's intention to send the Prince of Wales to India next winter to inaugurate the Chamber of Princes and the Constitution.

Five persons, members of the same family, were burned to death in a fire in a dwelling-house in Cardiff yesterday. In a fire in a big block of offices in Newcastle seven persons lost their lives.

Martin Savage, who was killed during the attack on Lord French, was buried in Ballisodare, County Sligo, yesterday. There was no demonstration at the graveside.

Claims for compensation, amounting to nearly £20,000, have been lodged with the Clare County Council for injuries received by members of Mr. H. V. Macnamara's shooting party at Carron, North Clare.

In London yesterday the Stock Markets were steady, and in places, such as Home Rails and Rubbers, strong. Domestic issues all showed to advantage. Money was in shorter supply, and the rate for daily loans remained firm at 4 per cent. Discount rates were hardly so firm. Silver was lower at 6s. 5¼d. per oz., and bar gold recovered to 109s. per oz. In Dublin the feature was a sharp fall of 9 points in City of Dublin Steam. Coats and Dunlops were firm, and the former was strong after hours.

A Message of Hope.

Yesterday Parliament was prorogued by the King. His Majesty's speech makes a comprehensive survey of the work which has been done at home and abroad since the beginning of the year. It shows a record of steady progress, despite the many trials through which the nation has passed, and proves that Britain is still in the forefront of the world's democracies, striving and advancing towards a noble ideal. We still have many serious obstacles to overcome. Our expenditure of necessity is abnormally high; the cost of living continues to rise; and the nation is staggering under a tremendous burden of debt. Yet His Majesty has confidence in his people, and we believe that his confidence will be justified by events. Already much has been done. A new earth has not been created, it is true, but the Government has set machinery in motion which, if it be successful, will virtually weave the fabric of our society anew. There have been failures. Possibly too much was attempted, and the Coal and Anti-Dumping Bills have been relegated to a merciful oblivion. On the other hand, however, as His Majesty pointed out, unemployment has been reduced to an extraordinarily low level; agriculture, health, housing, and transport are being thoroughly reorganised; and the Labour problem has been tackled courageously and well. Industrial conditions have improved all round. An industrial court has been established. Proposals are under consideration for the introduction of *maximum* hours, *minimum* wages, and measures for the prevention of unemployment. All these things are as yet in their infancy; but they are alive, and with proper attention will develop and flourish. The ideal has been set, and the British people will not relax their efforts until it has been reached. Years may pass before Capital and Labour settle all their differences, and consent to work hand in hand for their country's welfare; but a beginning has been made, and we need not despair. The British people have determined to make their country happy, prosperous, and beautiful. They will not succeed in a day; but they have never known the meaning of defeat.

Among the many Acts which Parliament has passed during the session none is of vaster importance than that which has as its object the better government of India. The proclamation of His Majesty to the Indian Princes and peoples epitomises the scope and nature of the Act. It establishes a diarchy in which the elected representatives of the Indian people enjoy a considerable share in the government of their country. Furthermore, it "points the way to full, responsible government hereafter." Naturally, the Act is in the nature of an experiment; and it is an experiment with dangerous elements. India is littered with inflammable material, and a chance spark might precipitate disaster. His Majesty has no illusions on this point. "The path will not be easy," he warns his Indian subjects, "and in the march towards the goal there will be need of perseverance and mutual forbearance." Nevertheless, he is optimistic, and we fervently hope that his optimism will be justified. Politically India is almost an unknown quantity. The present Act is ingenious and, indeed, generous; but it is a leap into the dark. We recognise to the full the value of an autonomous India to the Empire. The "moral advancement" of this great country within the confines of the British Commonwealth would reinforce our strength and consolidate our position as a world Power. Nevertheless, India to-day is in a very peculiar condition. Afghanistan has virtually allied itself with Bolshevism, and Great Britain cannot contemplate a Bolshevist invasion through the Khyber Pass. For that reason the Government will do well to act with the utmost caution in putting the new Act into operation. We all are anxious to see India settled, and we hope sincerely that Mr. Montagu's Act will meet with complete success; but India is, perhaps, the most vital link in our Empire's chain, and it must not be broken.

His Majesty's speech and proclamation convey a message of hope to his war-tried peoples, and to-day, on the eve of Christmas, they will be read with rejoicing all over the Empire. Here in Ireland Christmas will be a solemn feast. The hearts of Irishmen are heavy, and the tide of hope is ebbing fast. The season of peace and good-will finds our stricken country in sore distress. Instead of the spirit of Christian fellowship the sullen spectre of evil mistrust is among us. When were Irishmen so far apart as they are to-day? Never in all her melancholy history was Ireland swept by such terrible passions, or haunted by such agonising fears. We wish all our readers a happy Christmas, secure in the knowledge that they, as we, deplore the unhappy condition of our beloved land. We feel sure that their Christmas prayers will be for Ireland, and that they will try, everyone in his way, to make the message of the heavenly host something more than an empty mockery. Crime, outrage, and deadly hatred stalk the country. Where in our distracted island will the spirit of peace find a resting-place? Nevertheless, we do not despair. In spite of wanton outrage and callous crime, beneath all the fierce upheavals of political and party strife, the heart of Ireland still beats true. We have sufficient faith in the inherent greatness of the Irish people to trust that the day may not be far distant when they will banish ungodliness from their midst and assert their privilege as a Christian nation. Every patriotic Irishman yearns for that day, and until it dawns Ireland will not be happy. In the meanwhile we can only pray that the Christmas feast may soften those hearts which have been steeled by hate, and allay the tumult of passion with which our country is perplexed in the extreme.

Railway Rates.

Sir Eric Geddes has just made two decisions of great importance. The first of these concerns rolling stock. It has long been apparent that the shortage of wagons lies at the root of our transport problems. Building operations fell off considerably during the war, and, roughly speaking, the railway companies of the United Kingdom now own about the same number of wagons as before the war. Of that number a great many were taken to France, and, although they are now coming back fairly rapidly, there are still between 15,000 and 18,000 in that country. Of the stock at home about six *per cent.* are either under, or awaiting repair, as compared with about two *per cent.* before the war. The shortage in itself is a serious matter, and its effects are accentuated by the tendency on the part of traders to detain wagons long over the free time allowed. To check this tendency on the part of traders the Minister of Transport has decided to make substantial alterations in the regulations. After January 1st the charge for ordinary wagons after the free period will be 3s. instead of 1s. 6d. for each of the first two days, and 5s. for every subsequent day. These measures, we believe, will have a salutary effect. Many traders seem to make no effort to clear their goods from the railways with the necessary speed, and in consequence an avoidable state of congestion and confusion is created. Sir Eric Geddes's other decision concerns the financial aspect of the transport problem. No official statement has yet been issued, but we understand on trustworthy authority that a new scale of rates will be introduced at an early date. Since the Government took control of the railways their profits have disappeared, and in their place we have a large deficit which must be met from the national purse. The deficit for the current year is estimated at £45,000,000. Sir Eric Geddes, we are informed, does not intend to alter the passenger fares, which already have been advanced by 50 *per cent.*, but considerable increases in the charges for the conveyance of goods will come into operation. Hitherto this source of revenue has not been tapped. Goods rates have remained stationary since 1914. The Government was reluctant to adopt any measure that would react on the trade of the country and the cost of living until the need for it became imperative. Now that moment has arrived. The inconvenience caused by increased rates would be less than that produced by a continuance of the deficit on the present scale. We have good reason to believe that in this matter Sir Eric Geddes has given sympathetic consideration to the special needs of Ireland, and that he has consented to grant important concessions. It is stated that there will be no increase in the cost of transporting some articles that are essential to the development of agriculture, and that in others the charges will be substantially lower than those that obtain elsewhere. If this be true, farmers will be under a deep obligation to the Irish branch of the Ministry for the success with which it has advocated their claims.

A Southern Expedition.

Few fields of exploration offer such wide scope as the Antarctic Continent and the islands lying in its approach. The coast and islands, it is said, abound with fine harbours which, in the northern parts, could be worked for at least six months of the year; and, according to Captain Scott, the climate is even better than that of either Siberia or Klondyke. These lands, it is believed, are rich in mineral wealth. From time to time explorers have stated that they have discovered traces of vast deposits of coal and marble, and Professor David, of Sydney University, has recorded his opinion that valuable goldfields are to be found. It is desirable, therefore, that the commercial possibilities of the Far South should be thoroughly explored in the interests of the Empire. Mr. J. L. Cope, who has made several voyages in the Polar regions, intends to devote the next five years to this work, and his scheme has received the cordial approval of the Government, men of science, and influential members of the business community. The Colonial Governments also have assured him of their interest and support. Several learned societies have formed a committee to aid him in raising the necessary funds. He estimates that the expedition will cost very nearly £100,000. He proposes to purchase Captain Scott's famous ship, the Terra Nova, and to set sail next June.

Women Magistrates.

The Bill which was introduced last July to remove the ban against the appointment of women to various public offices became law yesterday, when it received the Royal assent. The Lord Chancellor of England has signalised the advent of the Act in a fitting manner. He has decided to confer the commission of the peace upon a number of women who have rendered distinguished public service. He has decided also to establish an Advisory Committee, by the recommendations of which he will be guided in making appointments in the future. We welcome woman's right to sit on the magisterial bench. In the children's courts, especially, the knowledge and experience of women who take an active part in social and philanthropic work should be of the greatest value and assistance. Women now have a voice in the making of the laws and in their administration, and thus the sex disqualification controversy is disappearing rapidly from all departments of life. The next generation, perhaps, will wonder why it should have raged so long.

COURT CIRCULAR.

VICEREGAL LODGE, DUBLIN.
TUESDAY.

His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant, attended by Captain the Hon. C. H. G. Mulholland (Military Secretary), honoured Mrs. Macpherson with his presence at a children's party given at the Chief Secretary's Lodge this afternoon.

Mrs. George Franks and Master Franks arrived at the Lodge to-day.

Major-General F. F. Ready, Major-General E. P. Strickland, and Brigadier-General J. E. Brind had the honour of being invited to luncheon with His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant at the Viceregal Lodge to-day.

Colonel H. C. Herbert had the honour of being invited to dine with His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant at the Viceregal Lodge this evening.

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THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY.

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LONDON CORRESPONDENCE.

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON,
TUESDAY NIGHT.

In several respects the King's Speech is unique. For one thing it is addressed to "members of the House of Commons" instead of to "My Lords and Gentlemen, etc.," the change being necessitated by Lady Astor's return. It is also by far the longest on record. The Government seem to have taken the opportunity to present the public through the Sovereign with a full record of their achievements. These have, indeed, been by no means negligible, in spite of all the "grousing" in certain newspapers.

In the field of legislation there has been extraordinary fecundity. The measures passed would in pre-war days have occupied two or three sessions. The Government of India Bill alone would probably have occupied the energies of Parliament for an entire year. This unexampled output of Acts of Parliament has only been made possible by the extension of the Grand Committee system. This has put a severe strain upon M.P.'s, who take their duties seriously, and are nowadays a very hard-worked body of men; but it has proved its usefulness.

In a third respect the speech is unusual, if not unique, since, instead of being wholly confined to past events, it contains a definite piece of news—namely, that the Prince of Wales is going to India to inaugurate the new Constitution, a very happy suggestion.

As Sir John Rees remarked, in the course of to-day's brief proceedings in Parliament there was a Fridayish appearance about the House. The fact that this was the last day of the session did not deter a certain number of members from addressing questions to heads of Government departments. Three of the Ministers concerned—War, India, and Works—failed to put in an appearance, thereby incurring the wrath of Lord Robert Cecil, who complained of grave disrespect to the House. He was hardly appeased by the assurance of Mr. Bonar Law that the absentees were detained at a Cabinet meeting. There was nothing striking in any of the questions, which were forty-eight in number, and occupied barely half an hour.

Sir Robert Horne brought in a Bill to amend the law in respect of insurance against unemployment. It was duly read a first time, with the object of having it printed for consideration during the recess.

Most of the heavy cargo still undischarged was jettisoned last night, and there remained only the War Emergency Laws (Continuance) Bill to be carried over to next session. Mr. Bonar Law duly moved a resolution to this end, but, in face of a vigorous protest from Mr. Hogge, who considered the motion a dangerous precedent, he consented to the Bill's being withdrawn, on the understanding that the second reading and Committee stage would be disposed of at one day's sitting next session.

There remained nothing but the Royal Assent to the Bills already passed, the reading of the King's Speech, and the due prorogation of Parliament until the 10th of February next.

The Prime Minister, who is reported to be well pleased with the reception accorded to his Home Rule scheme by the members of the House of Commons, left London this afternoon for Criccieth to spend Christmas. He will remain in Wales about a week and then return to London.

The opinions of the Irish newspapers are fully quoted in London to-day, and they have come as rather a damper on public feeling, since generally they do not accept the Prime Minister's proposals. One or two papers remark that this dissatisfaction was fully anticipated, and has already been discounted. Presumably this must be taken as an indication that Ireland must have the scheme whether it likes it or not. It is probable, however, that, when the scheme becomes a Bill, it will be found that it has been greatly modified.

The absence of the Nationalist members from the House of Commons last night was, of course, premeditated, but nevertheless it gave one rather a shock to see Lady Astor sitting where Mr. Tim Healy has sat on so many Irish nights, while the seats behind her, usually occupied by the Nationalists, were filled with young Unionists facing the Prime Minister with the keenest interest, but an altogether different interest from that usually displayed from those benches.

The result of the St. Albans election, while it shows a Coalition victory, is not altogether satisfactory, for the majority of the votes went to the Labour and Liberal candidates. The Liberal, however, secured only 2,474 votes out of a total poll of 21,000. It is evident that the slump in Liberalism is not at an end yet. Such a result, while it gives encouragement to both the Coalition and to Labour, must give rise to great heartsearching among the members of that little party in the House of Commons who looked for a great revival of Liberalism in the near future.

Although he was well past 70, the death of John Roberts, the great billiard player, produces a certain sense of surprise. Like W. G. Grace, whom facially he somewhat resembled, he was one of those men who radiate power, and seem to belong to a special race apart. There was a time when I used to go and see Roberts play two or three times a week, and, observing the ease and mastery with which he dominated both the balls and his opponents, I used to wonder whether, if he had taken to politics instead of billiards, he would not have been Prime Minister. In private life he was, I believe, a man of quiet habits and simple tastes. A relation of mine who travelled with him on one of his visits to the Antipodes told me that he spent most of his time on board ship in playing patience.

Not much surprise will be felt at the refusal of the Committee to recommend the adoption of Mr. Gattie's Transport Clearing House scheme. The idea is a most ingenious one, and, were this a new country, just setting up a railway system, it would pay us well to adopt it. But to super-impose it upon our elaborate and complicated machinery of goods stations, railway carriers, and receiving offices would probably make confusion worse confounded. Mr. Gattie, like Lord Fisher, would probably say: "Scrap the lot, and you will be much better off." But, while it may be possible to do that with battleships only needed in case of war, it cannot be done with the system that brings us our daily bread. It is a great pity that the Gattie system cannot be introduced experimentally in some provincial town, so that a clear idea of its advantages and defects in actual working might be secured.

NEW BANK HOLIDAY IN IRELAND.

The Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council in Ireland have appointed Saturday, 27th December, as a Bank Holiday throughout Ireland, in accordance with the Bank Holidays Act, 1871, the Holidays Extension Act, 1875, and the Customs Consolidation Act, 1876.

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THE GOVERNMENT AND HUNGER STRIKING.

The firm determination of the Government to allow the law to take its course in the case of prisoners who resort to the hunger strike has already had a salutary effect. Timothy Spillane, who was found guilty at the recent Cork Assizes of wounding Sergeant Oates, and was sentenced to three years' penal servitude, has, we are officially informed, resumed taking his food, after a hunger strike to which he resorted on the 17th inst., following his conviction.

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The following is the text of the King's Speech proroguing Parliament, as read by the Lord Chancellor in the House of Lords yesterday:—

MY LORDS AND MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS,—

After many months of arduous deliberation in Paris, the efforts of the plenipotentiaries of the Allied and Associated Powers have been crowned with success, and treaties of peace with Germany, Austria, and Bulgaria have been concluded. In the negotiations the Prime Ministers of all my dominions and representatives of India took an influential part. I have signified my approval of the Treaty of Peace with Germany, and have ratified it. Peace still remains to be concluded with the Ottoman Empire and the Republic of Hungary, and I earnestly trust that the necessary negotiations for this purpose will shortly be brought to a satisfactory conclusion.

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My relations with my Allies and Associates in the Great War remain of the most friendly character, and I have every expectation that the close and intimate co-operation which led to victory will be long continued to the benefit of all.

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THE PRINCE OF WALES'S VISIT.

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SELF-GOVERNMENT FOR INDIA.

A measure which marks the first stage in the development of a responsible Government in India has become law, and I rely on all my subjects to work together for its success. In a proclamation which I am addressing to my Viceroy and to the Princes and people of India, I am expressing my hope that harmonious political life will be steadily built up on the foundations thus laid, and I am announcing my intention of sending my son, the Prince of Wales, to India to inaugurate the new Constitution.

MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS,—

I thank you for the provision that you have made for the service of a year in which public expenditure has necessarily continued on an abnormal scale, largely exceeding both the permanent and temporary revenue. I trust that next year, with the return to more normal conditions, you will be able to take the first steps in the reduction of the National Debt. The condition of our finance, and the state of our credit, continues to occupy the serious attention of my Ministers. Only by strict economy in public expenditure, and by sustained increase of production, can the country maintain its historic position in commerce and finance.

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I cannot view without concern the grave economic position of a large part of Europe. The task of restoring credit and restarting industry in the countries whose economic life has been destroyed by five years of war is one of the first conditions of our return to settled peace, but it is too large a task for any nation to undertake unaided. I was enabled by the liberality of Parliament to place a large sum at the disposal of the Supreme Economic Council for the relief of immediate necessities, but that sum is now nearly exhausted. Further measures of relief and reconstruction can only be undertaken as the result of joint action by all nations interested in the restoration of international commerce. My Government would gladly co-operate with the Governments of other countries to this end if a suitable plan can be devised.

THE ARMED FORCES.

Great progress has been made during the past year in the gigantic task of demobilising my Navy, Army, and Air Force, impeded as it has been by the uncertainties of the situation in large parts of Europe and Asia. The lot of the men who have served in my forces during the war, and especially of those who are disabled, has been the subject of anxious consideration. It is a source of great satisfaction to me that it has been possible to increase the scales of pensions paid to war veterans and to the dependents of those who gave their lives in the war. I am glad to know that very large numbers of men have been reabsorbed in peaceful industries, but it is important that employment should be within the reach of all who are able to take advantage of it. To this end I have made an appeal to the employers of the country, which has received a large response. But more remains to be done, and I am hopeful that the measures which have been, and are being, taken for giving them training in skilled occupations, and for placing them in employment, will have the ready support of all my people. Measures have also been passed to facilitate the settlement on the land of ex-Service men who have fought in the war, and for providing them with the necessary assistance in establishing themselves in agriculture.

THE COST OF LIVING.

The continued high cost of living, with all its evil, has caused distress throughout the world, though it is lower in the British Isles than elsewhere. The problem of reducing it has received your constant consideration, and measures have been taken which, it is hoped, may prevent the charging of unreasonable prices for necessary articles.

RECONSTRUCTION.

In the sphere of domestic legislation the session has been marked by the passage of an unprecedented number of bills dealing with reconstruction in all its aspects.

THE LABOUR PROBLEM.

Important measures have been passed affecting the conditions of labour. There is no doubt that public opinion throughout the world is deeply interested in the manner in which Great Britain is dealing with its labour and industrial problem, and I am confident that, though the difficult times are not yet passed, our course is set fair towards a renewal of national strength and prosperity. I am glad to think that there has been a steady improvement in industrial conditions. Unemployment, which in the earlier part of the year was unexampled in extent, stands to-day at a figure which compares favourably with the years prior to the war. This is all the more remarkable considering the immense numbers of men and women discharged from the Service and from munition works at home. The Acts for restoring privileges surrendered during the war, and for stabilising the conditions of employment, have done much to allay friction in the industrial life of the country. The establishment of an Industrial Court has provided the machinery for securing the peaceful settlement of disputes and promoting harmony among those engaged in industry. These measures form part of a programme which it has not been found possible to complete in the present session. Proposals have been formulated for fixing the maximum number of hours of employment, for instituting a minimum wage, and for making increased provision against unemployment. I trust that at an early date they may receive the assent of Parliament.

I have given my assent to an Act constituting a Ministry of Agriculture, Agricultural Councils for England and Wales, an Advisory Committee to assist the Minister, and providing for the decentralisation of agricultural administration to committees of the county councils.

HEALTH AND HOUSING.

I have also assented to bills for the establishment of a Ministry of Health in England, and a Board of Health in Scotland, and a Council of Health for Ireland. I trust that when they are in full working order they will prove invaluable in co-ordinating and improving the service of the people.

The Housing and Town-Planning Acts which were passed in July, and the Housing (Additional Powers) Act, to which I have just given assent, mark a new departure in housing legislation, and it is my sincere hope that these measures will facilitate the solution of the housing problem in the United Kingdom, by providing increased and better accommodation, and leading to the progressive elimination of insanitary dwellings.

TRANSPORT.

I view with satisfaction the passing of the Act to establish a Ministry of Transport. The creation of an effective system of transport will greatly contribute to agricultural development, to the solution of the housing problem, and the reparation of the immense losses inflicted on the country by the war. Upon these measures the future prosperity of the country very largely depends.

The pressure on the time of Parliament has made it impossible to enact in its entirety the Electricity Supply Bill as passed by the House of Commons. Provision has, however, been made, which enables the necessary Commissioners to be established, and the preliminary steps to be taken in the reorganisation of this vital industry. A portion of this bill was temporarily postponed with the object of giving adequate time to Parliament to deliberate fully upon its terms. It is greatly hoped, however, that upon the reassembly of Parliament consideration of the remaining portion will be resumed.

In addition to these bills, a number of other Acts relating to the acquisition of land, patents, and designs, trade-marks, wireless telegraphy, and other matters of importance in the practical work of reconstruction have received my assent.

In the House of Commons yesterday, the Speaker took the chair at noon.

Mr. Bonar Law moved that further proceedings on the War Emergency Laws (Continuance) Bill be suspended until next session.

After several protests by members,

The motion was withdrawn, and there being no further business on the Order Paper, the sitting was suspended, pending the Royal Commission.

ROYAL ASSENT.

At 5 o'clock the Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod (Sir T. Butler) appeared at the Bar, and summoned the Speaker and members to the House of Lords.

On his return, the Speaker, sitting at the table, announced that the Royal Assent had been given to the Appropriation Act and other Acts. He next read the King's Speech proroguing Parliament until February 10th.

Ministers and members, headed by Mr. Bonar Law and Sir Auckland Geddes, then filed by the table to shake hands with the Speaker.

At the last moment, after the Speaker had concluded bidding farewell to members, Lady Astor came into the House, and in a great hurry ran up to the table to say good-bye to the Speaker before he left the House.

The session thus terminated at 3.45 p.m.

FIRES' HEAVY TOLL.

TEN DEATHS IN NEWCASTLE

FIVE PERSONS BURNED TO DEATH AT CARDIFF.

Exciting scenes were witnessed at a fire which occurred yesterday afternoon at Cross House, Newcastle, an extensive block of buildings in the centre of the city. It is divided into offices, where a large number of clerks, typists, and others were employed.

The flames burst out soon after four o'clock, and within a short time the building was ablaze. Many of the occupants were unable to escape, and those in the upper floors climbed through the windows to the parapet, from which several of them jumped into sheets held out by men on the pavement. All were safely caught except one man, who caught a projection and was injured. He was removed to the infirmary.

Meanwhile the Fire Brigade arrived, and a fireman went to the assistance of those on the parapet who had been afraid to take the leap. By means of an adjustable escape all were brought to safety amid exciting cheers. The building was gutted. The damage amounts to many thousands of pounds.

When it became possible to explore the building several bodies were found, and by eight o'clock it was clear that at least seven persons had perished. One girl was killed by a jump from a height. Two bodies were so badly burnt as to be unrecognisable, and four persons met their deaths by suffocation. The search of the ruins was proceeding late last evening.

DEATH ROLL INCREASING.

A message late last night says:—The death roll in the fire has risen to 10 (two men and eight women), one woman having been killed by jumping five storeys to the ground, and the remainder by suffocation or burns. Eight injured persons are also at the infirmary. Those who have been identified are:—Men—James Mitchelson (caretaker), George Jewitt; women—Helen Dneeser (30), Connie Brydon (24), D. Wheatley (19), E. Storey (21), — Potter (21), E. Todd (19), and Alice Mitcheson, wife of James Mitcheson, the caretaker.

DWELLINGHOUSE FIRE IN CARDIFF.

FIVE PERSONS BURNED TO DEATH.

Five persons were burned to death in a fire at a dwelling-house in Cardiff yesterday, and three others were injured. The victims were members of a family named Morgan.

The victims were Mrs. Sarah Morgan, widow, aged 53; Mr. Charles Morgan, aged 24; Mrs. Victoria Morgan, aged 23, wife of Mr. William Henry Morgan; Edith Morgan, aged 16, daughter of Mrs. Sarah Morgan, and Rose Morgan, aged 12 months, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morgan. Three other members of the family were injured, one seriously. There were gallant attempts at rescue. A fireman named Kirby clambered up the escape through the flames to a window on the first floor. He saw two bodies on the bed. He was about to enter when the floor collapsed.

The injured members of the Morgan family are ignorant of the fate of others. At the hospital William Henry Morgan, who was in his bath, and, crying, "Oh, my God, my God, save my child," asked after his wife and child, but the doctors did not satisfy him, his condition being precarious. The charred remains of his wife and child were found in the bed, the mother shielding the child with her arm.

Mrs. Ferguson, another occupant, escaped by accidentally falling from an open window. She, also, is in hospital.

ST. ALBAN'S BY-ELECTION.

The result of the by-election in the St. Albans Division of Hertfordshire was announced yesterday as follows:—

Lieut.-Col. Freemantle (C.U.)	9,621
J. W. Brown (Labour)	8,908
Milner Gray (Liberal)	2,474

Coalition majority over Labour.. 713

At the General Election Colonel Sir E. H. Carlile, Bart., was returned unopposed. There are 22,633 electors on the register.

NEW IRISH ACTS.

In the House of Lords yesterday, the Royal Assent was given to the following Acts:—The Irish Railways (Confirmation of Agreement) Act, the Dogs Regulation (Ireland) No. 2 Act, the Irish Land (Provision for Sailors and Soldiers) Act, and the Nurses Registration (Ireland) Act.

"NEW ERA" FOR INDIA.

THE KING'S PROCLAMATION.

ACT OF ROYAL CLEMENCY.

A CHAMBER OF PRINCES.

PRINCE OF WALES TO VISIT INDIA.

His Majesty the King-Emperor has been pleased to cause the following proclamation to be issued with the signification of the Royal Assent to the Government of India Act, 1919:—

ROYAL PROCLAMATION.

George the Fifth, by the grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the seas, King Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

To my Viceroy and Governor-General,

To the Princes of the Indian States, and to all my subjects in India, of whatsoever race or creed, greeting.

1. Another epoch has been reached to-day in the annals of India. I have given my Royal Assent to an Act which will take its place among the great historic measures passed by the Parliament of this Realm for the better government of India and the greater contentment of her people. The Acts of 1773 and 1784 were designed to establish a regular system of administration and justice under the Honourable East India Company. The Act of 1833 opened the door for Indians to public office and employment. The Act of 1858 transferred the administration from the Company to the Crown, and laid the foundations of a public life which exists in India to-day. The Act of 1861 sowed the seed of representative institutions, and the seed was quickened into life by the Act of 1909. The Act which has now become law entrusts the elected representatives of the people with a definite share in the Government, and points the way to full responsible government hereafter. If, as I confidently hope, the policy which this Act inaugurates should achieve its purpose, the results will be momentous in the story of human progress, and it is timely and fitting that I should invite you to-day to consider the past and to join me in my hopes of the future.

OPPORTUNITY AND CAPACITY.

2. Ever since the welfare of India was confided to us it has been held as a sacred trust by our Royal House and line. In 1858 Queen Victoria, of revered memory, solemnly declared herself bound to her Indian subjects by the same obligations of duty as to all her other subjects, and she assured to them religious freedom and the equal and impartial protection of the law. In his Message to the Indian people in 1903 my dear father, King Edward VII., announced his determination to maintain unimpaired the same principles of government and equitable administration. Again, in his proclamation of 1908 he renewed the assurances which had been given fifty years before and surveyed the progress which they had inspired. On my accession to the throne in 1910 I sent a Message to the Princes and people of India acknowledging their loyalty and their homage, and promising that the prosperity and happiness of India should always be to me of the highest interest and concern. In the following year I visited India with the Queen-Empress, and testified my sympathy for her people and my desire for their well-being. So while these are the sentiments of affection and devotion by which I and my predecessors have been animated, Parliament and the people of this Realm, and my officers in India, have been equally zealous for the moral advancement of India. We have endeavoured to give to her people the many blessings which Providence has bestowed upon ourselves. But there is one gift which yet remains, and without which the progress of a country cannot be consummated—the right of her people to direct her affairs and safeguard their interests. The defence of India against foreign aggression is a duty of common Imperial interest and pride. The control of her domestic concerns is a burden which India may legitimately aspire to take upon her own shoulders. The burden is too heavy to be borne in full until time and experience have brought the necessary strength, but opportunity will now be given for experience to grow, and for responsibility to increase with the capacity for its fulfilment.

A CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT.

4. I have watched with understanding and sympathy the growing desire of my Indian people for representative institutions. Starting from small beginnings, this ambition has steadily strengthened its hold upon the intelligence of the country. It has pursued its course along constitutional channels with sincerity and courage. It has survived the discredit which at times and in places men sought to cast upon it by acts of violence committed under the guise of patriotism. It has been stirred to more vigorous life by the ideals for which the British Commonwealth fought in the great war, and to it claims support in the part which India has taken in our common struggles, anxieties, and victories. In proof that the desire after political responsibility has its source at the root of the British connection with India, it has grown steadily from the deeper and wider studies of human thought and history which that connection has opened to the Indian people. Without it, the work of the British in India would have been incomplete. It was, therefore, with a wise judgment that the beginnings of representative institutions were laid many years ago. Their scope has been extended stage by stage, until there now lies before us a definite step on the road to responsible Government.

5. With the same sympathy, and with redoubled interest, I shall watch the progress along this road. The path will not be easy, and in the march towards the goal there will be need of perseverance and of mutual forbearance between all sections and races of my people in India. I am confident that those high qualities will be forthcoming. I rely on the new popular assemblies to interpret wisely the wishes of those whom they represent, and not to forget the interests of the masses who cannot yet be admitted to the franchise. I rely on the leaders of the people, the Ministers of the future, to face responsibility and endure misrepresentation, to sacrifice much for the common interest of the State, remembering that true patriotism transcends party and communal boundaries, and, while retaining the confidence of the legislators, to co-operate with my officers for the common good in sinking unessential differences and in maintaining the essential standard of a just and generous Government. Equally do I rely upon my officers to respect their new colleagues, and to work with them in harmony and kindliness, to assist the people and their representatives in an orderly advance towards free institutions, and to find in these new tasks a fresh opportunity to fulfil, as in the past, their highest purpose of faithful service to my people.

CLEMENCY TO POLITICAL OFFENDERS.

6. It is my earnest desire at this time that, so far as possible, any trace of bitterness between my people and those who are responsible for my Government should be obliterated. Let those who in their eagerness for political progress have broken the law in the past respect it in the future. Let it become possible for those who are charged with the maintenance of peaceful and orderly Government to forget the extravagances which they have had to curb. A new era is opening. Let it begin with a common determination among my people and my officers to work together for a common purpose. I therefore direct my Viceroy to exercise, in my name and on my behalf, my Royal clemency to political offenders, in the fullest measure, which in his judgment is compatible with the public safety. I desire him to extend it on this condition to persons who for offences against the State or under any special or emergency legislation, are suffering imprisonment or restrictions upon their liberty. I trust that this leniency will be justified by the future conduct of those whom it benefits, and that all my subjects will so demean themselves as to render it unnecessary to enforce the laws for such offences hereafter. Simultaneously with the new Constitution in British India I have gladly assented to the establishment of a Chamber of Princes. I trust that its councils may be fruitful of lasting good to the Princes and States themselves, may advance the interests which are common to their territories and to British India, and may be to the advantage of the Empire as a whole. I take the occasion again to assure the Princes of India of my determination ever to maintain unimpaired their privileges, rights, and dignities.

THE PRINCE OF WALES'S MISSION.

It is my intention to send my dear son, the Prince of Wales, to India next winter to inaugurate, on my behalf, the new Chamber of Princes, and the new Constitution in British India. May he find mutual goodwill and confidence prevailing among those on whom will rest the future service of the country, so that success may crown their labours, and progressive enlightenment attend their administration; and with all my people I pray to Almighty God that by His wishes, and under His guidance, India may be led to greater prosperity and contentment, and may grow to the fulness of political freedom. GEORGE, R.I.

The House of Lords yesterday met formally at a quarter to three o'clock, but there was no business to transact.

At three o'clock the Lord Chancellor, and with him the other Lords Commissioners—the Earl of Chesterfield, Viscount Sandhurst, Lord Somerleyton, and Lord Sinha, entered the Chamber, and took their seats on a bench in front of the uncovered thrones. The Commons were sent for and attended with the Speaker at the Bar. Among those accompanying the Speaker were—Mr. Bonar Law, Sir Auckland Geddes, Sir A. Griffith-Boscawen, Sir E. Pollock, Sir Donald Maclean, Dr. Macnamara, and Viscountess Astor.

The Royal Assent was given to some 45 Acts of Parliament, including the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation), the Sex Disqualification (Removal), the National Assembly of the Church of England (Powers), the Government of India, the Housing (Additional Powers), the Old Age Pensions, the Aliens (Restrictions) Amendment, the National Insurance Unemployment, the Electricity Supply, and the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries Acts.

The Lord Chancellor then read the King's Speech, which we print in another column.

The formal announcement was then made by the Lord Chancellor of the prorogation of Parliament till Tuesday, 10th February next.

FRANCE'S FOREIGN RELATIONS.

M. CLEMENCEAU AND THE LONDON CONFERENCE.

THE ALLIES AND RUSSIA.

A Reuter's telegram from Paris yesterday says:—In the Chamber to-day M. Clemenceau, in answer to a question put by M. Cochin, stated that he did not propose to reply to the demand for an interpellation on the general domestic policy of the country submitted by that Deputy, because the general policy of the Government had been fully made known in his Strasburg speech. That speech, he added, was addressed to the whole of France, and you, yourselves, can bear witness to the fact that France has approved it. (Applause.) On the other hand, with regard to foreign policy, M. Clemenceau made the following statement:—M. Cochin asks for explanations on the London Conference. It would appear that when either Mr. Lloyd George or myself make a journey something extraordinary should necessarily occur. The results of the armistice and the Peace Treaty are merely manifesting themselves. M. Cochin said that Mr. Lloyd George accused himself. I do not think that Mr. Lloyd George got very far in his explanations. Mr. Lloyd George stated that the conversation had started, not that it was finished. M. Cochin said that the Peace Treaty was going to be brought into question, and that there was a certain amount of anxiety in the country. I will not speak of the military guarantees; it must be very dangerous to speak of military guarantees. I did not ask for any. They were offered me by Great Britain and President Wilson. I did not think that they would be brought into question again. It seems to me that even if certain points of the Treaty itself were subjected to discussion, no serious objection was raised to these guarantees. I would not like to say anything further. Explanation will come in due time. If the question were to arise one day between France, Great Britain, and America, I should have no difficulty in explaining to the Chamber. I went to London to discuss the question of Turkey. At one time it seemed impossible for us to come to an understanding. To-day the contrary is the case. We seem to be on the way to evolve an agreement under conditions which I, for my part, consider satisfactory. The bases for a preliminary agreement have been established. M. Berthelot is now in London, but he is to return to-morrow.

FRANCO-BRITISH RELATIONS.

I found the atmosphere in England as friendly to France as could be wished. (Loud applause.) Mr. Lloyd George, the Prime Minister, said to me—"Our two countries must keep closer together than ever." (Prolonged applause.) I shared that sentiment. Mr. Lloyd George added—"If only we are in agreement, there will never again be war in Europe." (Unanimous applause.) I replied—"Whatever happens, you can count, not only on me, who am merely a passing factor, but also on the whole of France." (Renewed applause.)

Clemenceau next dealt with the Fiume question, which he said had been agonising the Italian Government. He explained that they had undertaken to concede Fiume to the Yugo-Slavs and the Serbs, and the Yugo-Slavs, who were the first to take up arms, relied on that pledge. Italy has gone back on her pledges. Italian public opinion has become heated. France, Great Britain, and the United States had set to work to find a way out of the misunderstanding. According to the latest indications, it will be possible to come to an agreement and bring about a solution which will be acceptable to all. (Applause.)

M. Clemenceau explained to an intent House that the questions of Constantinople, Anatolia, Syria, and the Balkans, and especially of Poland, were also considered.

M. Barthou here interrupted the Premier—It is impossible for you to have left Russia out of the discussion.

M. Clemenceau—We had discussed Russia previously. (Laughter.) I will tell you the two principal decisions which we came to. Not only will we not make peace, but we will not have any negotiations with the Government of the Soviets. (Great applause from all the benches, except those of the Extreme Left.)

On the conclusion of M. Clemenceau's statement on foreign policy, the Chamber adopted a motion approving the declaration of the Government by 458 votes against 71.

INCREASED RAILWAY RATES.

PROBABLE CONCESSIONS FOR IRISH AGRICULTURE.

The trading and agricultural community of Ireland are naturally interested in the statements which have been prevalent for some time past regarding an increase in railway rates. It is well understood by the public generally that the financial position of the railways of the United Kingdom is not satisfactory. Owing to increases in wages and cost of stores of all kinds used by the railway companies maintenance expenses have increased out of all proportion to what they were prior to the war, and, while in every other business charges have been advanced to meet higher working costs, railway goods rates have not been subjected to increase. Again, shipping freights have soared to a great height, with the natural result that traffic which was formerly conveyed by sea is now carried by the railway companies at prewar rates, which are very much lower than those charged by steamship companies.

The White Paper issued by the Government some months ago estimated the probable deficit on railway working for the current year at £45,000,000, and this huge amount must be met out of Government funds. One of the first actions of the Ministry of Transport has been to consider what should be the minimum increase in rates could be made in order to meet this huge deficit. Passenger fares have already been increased by 50 *per cent.*, and it is understood that in these no further augmentation is contemplated. The circumstances obtaining in Great Britain and in Ireland are very dissimilar, and we have reason to think that, as a result of the efforts of the Irish Department of the Ministry of Transport, special attention will be paid to Irish needs.

The outstanding Irish industry is agriculture, and the Ministry of Transport (Ireland) has not overlooked the effect which an increase in rates, equal to that which it is intended to impose upon flourishing industries in Great Britain, would have on our staple trade. It will, therefore, be welcome news to the farming and agricultural community that there is good hope that important concessions will be made to their industry. On some articles which are necessary for the development of the agricultural interests of the country it is almost certain that no increase will be made, while on others the figure is likely to be substantially lower than the amount of the otherwise general increase.

THE ATTEMPT ON LORD FRENCH'S LIFE.

RESOLUTION OF DUBLIN PORT BOARD.

LORD MAYOR'S VIEW.

Mr. John Hollwey, J.P., Chairman, presided at the meeting of the Dublin Port and Docks Board yesterday.

The Chairman said that before the business began he desired to move a resolution with regard to the attempt on the life of the Lord Lieutenant. He moved—"That the Dublin Port and Docks Board hereby express their thankfulness at the failure of the recent outrageous attempt upon the life of His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, and that the Secretary do write conveying the congratulations of the Board to His Excellency upon his Providential escape."

Mr. F. H. Hall, in seconding, said that it was very fitting that the Board should pass such a resolution in the circumstances.

The Lord Mayor said that on several occasions during the last three years he felt compelled in his official capacity to denounce crime and murder. It did not matter where that crime or murder was hatched—whether in high or lowly places; it did not matter, so far as he was concerned, whether the attempt to murder was made in the case of a peer or a peasant. It did not matter, so far as he was concerned, what individual or individuals committed the crime or murder, whether it was out of personal spite or political revenge, whether it was committed by a Catholic or by a Protestant, by a Nationalist or by a Unionist, and no matter what organisation took part in it—whether it was Sinn Fein, Hibernianism, or Freemasonry. The Church to which he belonged having said "Thou shalt not kill," his conscience told him that it was wrong to kill, and so far as he was concerned he believed that crime or murder, such as was mentioned in the resolution, retarded the regeneration of his country. Consequently, he had no hesitation whatever in joining in supporting the resolution. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. William Field associated himself with the remarks of the Lord Mayor, observing that no just cause could be advanced by anything in the nature of crime. "I think on the contrary," he said, "we Constitutional Nationalists have always endeavoured to obtain our ends by means of Constitutional action, which I think in the end will be successful."

The resolution was carried unanimously.

BISHOP FOLEY AND THE CRIME.

A SHOCKING VIOLATION OF GOD'S COMMAND.

The Most Rev. Dr. Foley, Roman Catholic Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin, preaching in the Cathedral at Carlow, referred to the attack on Lord French. He said—As Bishop of this Cathedral Church, I feel that I cannot let pass the opportunity that presents itself to me here to-day of giving expression to the horror with which every true Christian must regard the attempt which was made on Friday by desperate men to assassinate the head of the *de facto* Government of the country, and of denouncing it as a shocking violation of the solemn command of God, which forbids, under terrible penalties, any private individuals, except in self-defence or under the direction of competent authority, to imbrue his hands in the blood of his fellow-man. In referring to such a subject in such a place and at such a time as this, I consider it unseemly to make any reference to the probable effects of such a crime on the political destinies of our unfortunate country. What I am concerned with in this sacred place, as a Catholic Bishop, is the vindication of God's law, which I have sworn to support by every means in my power. I feel quite sure that there is little reason to warn you against the perpetration of crimes of so glaring a character, but in the inflamed state of the popular mind there may be grave danger of permitting to spring up in your hearts sentiments which, if indulged in, must partake of a murderous character. You need not be told that mortal sin may be committed in thought, desire of the will, as in word or deed: "whosoever shall look on a woman to lust after her," says Christ, "hath already committed adultery with her in his heart." You must, therefore, be on your guard against permitting yourselves to deliberately indulge in sentiments of approval of murder, no matter who may be the victim, or who the doer of the dastardly deed; and, in the present instance, you must not suffer yourselves to be deluded into thinking that you may deliberately indulge in feelings of regret that the recent crime did not attain its deadly purpose. No man can escape responsibility for such things, unless his reason is blinded by passion or by invincible ignorance—that is, ignorance of which he cannot rid himself. Beware, then, of thoughts of your minds, and the feelings of your hearts, and beware still more of the use of loose language, which may be worse of the remotest scandal to those who listen to it.

CARLOW MAGISTRATES' SYMPATHY.

At the weekly Petty Sessions in Carlow, when the following Justices were present—Messrs. B. F. Bagenal, D.L. (presiding); Captain Thomas, Henry Bruen, D.L., and M. J. Haughton—a resolution was passed sympathising with Lord French on the attack made upon his life, and congratulating him on his escape.

Mr. Thorpe, solicitor, associated himself with the resolution, as did also Mr. Poole, Clerk of Petty Sessions.

STRABANE MAGISTRATES' CONGRATULATIONS.

At the sitting of Strabane Petty Sessions Court yesterday, Mr. James White, J.P., moved the following resolution:—"That we, the magistrates assembled at Strabane Petty Sessions, tender our sincere sympathy with Lord French on the dastardly attack on Field-Marshal Lord French, the Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland, and congratulate His Excellency very heartily on his providential escape."

THE ABBEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

The following letter has been received by the Rev. Dr. Denham Osborne, collegiate minister of the Abbey Church, Rutland square, Dublin, from the Private Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant:—

"His Excellency desires me to write and thank you most sincerely for the recent resolution of sympathy and congratulation passed by the congregation of the Abbey Presbyterian Church, Rutland square, Dublin.

E. M. COULSON, Assistant Private Secretary."

FUNERAL OF THE ASSAILANT.

The body of Martin Savage, who was shot in the attack on Lord French on Friday last, was conveyed by the mail train from the Broadstone Station yesterday morning to the deceased man's native parish in Ballisodare, Co. Sligo. The remains were conveyed the previous day to the station from George V. Hospital, where the *post-mortem* had been made. At the time arrived for the departure of the train, about forty young men entered the station and took up a position in the vicinity of the mortuary van, and as the train moved but they uncovered their heads. The two brothers of the deceased man and two friends travelled on the train. A body of police was present on the platform, but there was no attempt at anything in the nature of a demonstration.

The attendance at the funeral at Ballysodare, which was large, would have been much larger, but that the Sligo train could not leave owing to the flooding of the line. Volunteers left Sligo early and marched to Collooney, a distance of nine miles, to meet the remains. The coffin, wrapped in the Sinn Fein colours, was carried to the cemetery, a distance of two miles, on the shoulders of the Volunteers. The cemetery was surrounded by police, and the burial was absolutely quiet, without any attempt at a display.

BANK NOTES AS LEGAL TENDER.

A proclamation published in last night's *London Gazette* revokes, as from January 1st, Section 4 of the Currency and Bank Notes Act (1914), whereby bank notes issued by a bank of issue in Scotland or Ireland were made legal tender.

SPECIAL EXTRA.

THE ESSENTIAL THING.

The *Morning Post* says:—According to all our English contemporaries, the new Home Rule scheme is a masterly piece of statesmanship. "The real essential thing," says Lord Robert Cecil, "is to know whether it is going to satisfy the Irish demands." Now we disagree to some extent with this view. To us the "real essential thing" is that the settlement be for the security and well-being of the United Kingdom as a whole. Ireland is, after all, only

FINANCIAL NEWS

DUBLIN STOCK EXCHANGE.

WAR STOCK BETTER. STEAM DEPRESSED. TEXTILES GENERALLY GOOD.

Considering that this was the last business day prior to the Christmas holidays, the amount of business passing was of fair dimensions, with a number of irregular price movements. The feature was the sharp fall in City of Dublin and Dundalk Steam Stocks in the absence of support, while Textiles and Marconis were firm. The Funds show strength for War Loan 5 and 4 p.c., but Victory Bonds, not recently quoted, declined sharply. Banks and Breweries were dull. Marconi Ord. Shares were better, but the "Letters" were not so good. Rails and Trams marked time, but while Dunlop Rubbers eased further, Parent Tyre Deferred were bid for at a higher price. Alliance Gas Shares fell further, but Textiles were very firm, especially Cottons and Spinners. Oil Shares were idle.

In the Funds, Consols repeated 50⅞, and India 3½ p.c. 60. War Loan 5 p.c. rebounded ⅛ to 91⅛. Ditto 4 p.c. 1 to 100¼, and Funding Loan ⅛ to 75⅞, but Victory Bonds relapsed ⅜ to 80⅛.

The only change in Banks was a fall of ⅛ to 24⅜ in Provincial Old Shares. Bank Stock, at 204, and Munsters, at 7, were unaltered.

Dealing in Breweries was confined to Guinness Ord., which fell ⅛ to 35⅛.

Steam Stocks closed flat. City of Dublin Stock fell no less than 9 to 255, the Pref. 4 to 90, and Dundalks 1 to 23.

In Marconis, the Ord. rose 7½d. to 82s. 6d., but the Letters fell 1s. to 20s. (5s. paid), and Americans repeated 29s. 6d.

Home Rails were quiet. Great Southern and Western fell ¼ to 69, but Midland Great Western 4 p.c. Debs. rose ½ to 62½. Belfast and County Down repeated 100¼, and Dublin and South Eastern 22.

In Trams, Dublin United rose 1/16 to 7⅞, but the Pref. fell ½ to 10 1-16.

Among Dunlops, Parent Tyre Def. rose 9d. to 66s. 3d., while the Pref. repeated 14s. 6d., and Dunlop Rubber Ord. fell 1/16 to 10 7/16. D. A. T. Pool Shares were on sale.

In Drapery Shares, Todd Burns Debs. fell 70s. to 70s. Henry Streets were wanted at 22s. 6d. and offered at 23s.

In Manufacturing Shares, Cottons rose 1s. to 7s., and Spinners 2s. 3d. to 80s. Dyers at 54, and Coats at 7⅞, were unchanged. Lever Bros. 7 p.c. Pref. fell 6d. to 19s. 6d., and Goulding Debs. 1s. 6d. to 81s. Helys Ord. hardened 6d. to 24s. 6d.

In Trading, etc., J. C. Parkes and Sons Pref. fell 6d. to 15s.

Among other business done, Anglo-Persian 6 p.c. Pref. Participating Shares rose 3d. to 23s. 1½d., but Imperial Tobacco fell 3d. to 66s. 3d.

After hours prices hardened. Coats Ord. rose ⅛ to 8⅛ bid. Mexican Eagles 10 7/16, ½, ex rights. Dunlop Rubber Ord. 10 7/16, ½.

BANK OF IRELAND.

Discount ...... 6 per cent., 6th November, 1919.
Deposit ...... 3 per cent., 6th November, 1919.

BUSINESS DONE:—

Consols ......(50⅞)	50⅞	Parent Def....(65/6)	66/6
5 p.c. War Ln...(90⅞)	91⅛	Do. Pref....(14/6)	14/6
4 p.c. do.........(99¾)	100¼	Dunlop	10 7/16
Funding Loan.(75¾)	75⅞	Alliance Gas.(99/4½)	95/-
Victory Bonds.(81½)	80⅛	Bolands ......(50/-)	50/-
Nat. Exch. Bonds........	98½	Todd Burns Deb.	
India 3½ ....(60)	60	(80/-)	70/-
Bank Ireland...(204)	204	Walpole Pref.	
Hib. & Lein.........(7)	7	(80/6)	*80/6
Provincial....(24½)	*24⅜	Brad. Dyers...(54/-)	54/-
Guinness ....(35⅛)	35⅛	Coats.............(7¾)	7⅞
City Steam......(264)	255	Sew. Cotton....(97/-)	98/-
Do. Pref...........(94)	*90	Fine Spin......(77/9)	80/-
Dundalk Steam...(24)	23	Goulding Deb.(82/6)	81/-
Marconi.......(81/10½)	82/6	Hely's, Ltd....(24/-)	24/6
Do. New.........(21/-)	20/-	Lever "A" Pref.	
Do. America.(29/6)	29/6	(20/-)	19/6
Co. Down Rl.(100¼)	100¼	Parkes Pref...(15/6)	15/-
D.S.E. Ord.........(22)	22	Ang.-Persian Pref....23/9	
G.S.W. Ord.......(69¼)	69	Armstrong 3rd Pref.	
M.G.W. 4% Deb.(62)	62½		17/1½
Dublin Trams.....(7¼)	7 7/16	Imperial Tobacco......66/3	
Do. Pref....(10 9/16)	10 1/16		

*Odd lot.

(Last business done given in parentheses.)

HOLIDAY STOCKS.

INTEREST IN HOME RAILS INCREASES WITH THE RISE.

STRIKE REPORTS CAUSE REACTION IN THE ARGENTINE MARKET.

(FROM THE FINANCIAL NEWS OF TO-DAY.)

More of the holiday touch could be felt in the markets yesterday, but none the less they preserved a moderate degree of activity, and kept firm in general. To the firmness, Argentine Railways were an outstanding exception, their strength being sapped by reports of strikes in various parts of the Republic, attended with such violence as to give them a revolutionary tinge. In comparison with the recent advance, the reaction in Argentine Rails was quite small. In another way, Home Rails also constituted an exception, for they were more active, while dealings elsewhere were diminishing. Interest in them is broadening and deepening, and the rise yesterday was substantial and well distributed. The essentially investment character of the buying was indicated by the modest participation of the lower-priced stocks in the improvement. For British Government securities, a steady demand was experienced, and the War Loan rose a trifle, the others hardening in tone, but not in price. Exchange considerations were not much of a factor, for, though the two vital exchanges moved about, no net alteration sufficient to affect stock values was effected. French Fives gained a point, but Belgians and Russians were heavy. Peruvians cut the best figure in the Foreign market.

LONDON STOCKS STEADY.

HOME RAILS STRONG

Holiday influences on the Stock Exchange were increasingly potent, but markets often rose superior to them, and, while business was not heavy at any time during the session, some specialities showed strength. Domestic issues were distinctly good. The Premier's statement of Irish policy made an excellent impression, and had the effect of offsetting dearer money influences in this part of the House. Home Rails particularly were run forward again without difficulty, and little stock appeared available even at the enhanced levels recorded. Gilt-edged Securities were mostly firm. War Fives rose ¼ to 91, and the 3½ p.c. Loan at 85⅞ was ¼ better. The 4½ p.c. Loan, however, eased to 83⅛. Consols were quiet and unchanged. Victory Bonds finished at 80½ and the Funding Loan at 75⅞. Miscellaneous gilt-edged issues were steady, without special feature, business remaining at a low ebb. Irish Land Loans were firm on the Irish settlement proposals, and there was spotty firmness among Colonial Loans, though movements were not wide.

Changes.—Rises—Victory Bonds, ⅛ to 80½; 3½ p.c. War Loan, ¼ to 85⅞; 5 p.c. do., ¼ to 91. Fall—4½ p.c. War Loan, ¼ to 83⅛.

FRENCH PREMIUM BONDS.—Something of a sensation was caused by the posting of a Committee notice stating that "in consequence of the opinion of the law officers of the Crown that dealings in Premium Bonds are illegal under the Lotteries Act of 1823," the Committee's permission recently given for dealings in the new French 5 p.c. Premium Bonds is withdrawn. The market was distinctly irritated with the news, which, it is assumed, will simply drive business to Paris. French Loans turned firm after early irregularity. The Fives were ¼ up at 63 at the finish, and the Fours ended over 51. Russian Bonds were steady without change. There was quiet support for Egyptians on the political news. Peruvians came into renewed request among South Americans on the reports of fresh steps now in contemplation to develop Peru, especially from a mineralogical standpoint.

Changes.—Rises—Chinese 4½ p.c., 1 to 72; French Loan, ¼ to 63; Japan 4 p.c., 1 to 79; do. New Fives, 1 to 79. Peruvian Corp., ¼ to 7⅞; do. Pref., 1 to 34½. Falls—Italian Rentes, 3 to 44½; Mexican Fives, 1 to 46.

HOME RAILS ADVANCE.—Home Rails again gave an excellent account of themselves. There was a fair volume of support and prices responded readily, some further substantial gains being recorded. Many trunk and trade stocks added ½ to 1½ to their overnight rise, and the whole outlook for the Home Railway industry is judged to have materially improved in the light of the directors' circular. In some quarters more information had been hoped for. There was a spurt of 3 to 78½ in South-Westerns. The passenger group was spottily good.

CANADIAN AND FOREIGN RAILS.—Canadian Pacifics were only 171, but Grand Trunks, though quiet, held firm, the Guaranteed Fours rising another ½ to 57½. Mexican Rails met better support of a quiet character, but several Argentine Rails lost ½ of their overnight advance. Brazilian Rails were irregular. Leopoldinas eased to 42½.

Changes.—Rises—Grand Trunk Guar., ½ to 57½; San Paulo Ord., ½ to 178. Falls—Canadian Pacific, 2 to 171; Argentine Great Western, 1 to 65½; B.A. Great Southern, ½ to 80; B. A. and Western, ½ to 87; Central Argentine, ½ to 71.

INDUSTRIALS BRISK.

COURTAULDS' REMARKABLE RISE. INSURANCE FUSION RUMOUR.

(FROM THE FINANCIAL NEWS OF TO-DAY.)

Taken all round, there was a surprising amount of business done in the miscellaneous and industrial sections yesterday, the general improvement evinced by the market at the opening of the week having been well maintained, although the holidays naturally loomed largely in the minds of members, and considerably restricted the good effects of the advanced prices where they occurred. As nothing much was to be expected of the market during Christmas week, the strong tone was all the more noticeable. Courtaulds were specially active, and reached a new high level. The shares have been a prominent feature in the market for some time, and have gained in price almost every day, no doubt in connection with the share bonus, which has been announced as on a share for share basis. By mid-January the shares will be quoted ex bonus, but it is not likely that interest will flag even then, as there are still the American assets of the company to serve as the market pretext for continued activity. Swan Hunters reacted slightly, but closed a better market, buyers still coming in from the north. Vickers added strength to the iron and steel section, and improved on their advance of the previous day. A rumour has gained currency regarding another insurance amalgamation, the names of the Commercial Union and the London and Lancashire being coupled in the market. The latter improved on the prospect, but no surmise has as yet been expressed as to the suggested terms of the absorption. These seem to be the days of amalgamations. Following the Norwich Union and Phœnix fusion comes the present hint of a similar insurance combination. The suggestion regarding Swan Hunter and Wigham Richardson and Harland and Wolff percolated through from Newcastle on Monday, and now, if we are to believe the latest rumour, it is proposed to effect the union of Castner-Kellner and Brunner Mond on a basis of nine Brunners for five Castner-Kellners. Marconi new shares were dealt in among wireless specialities, and B.A.T. easily held the new ground gained the previous day. Harrods Ord. and Dunlops braced up a little, and Nigers were a firm spot among land shares.

The market was undecided as to the probability of amalgamation, and both Brunners and Castner Kellners remained firm. Other chemicals did not very much. Among Iron and Steel, Swan Hunters were still being taken, and Vickers inclined to go better at 32s. 9d. In the Motor group, Napier Pref. were dealt in at about par, and were, if anything, a little firmer. Sunbeams rested after the previous day's activity, and a slight gain was recorded in favour of Vauxhalls at 1⅛. Miscellaneous descriptions looked bright again, though no notable advances were made. English Electric were 3d. better at 25s. 6d., Pyrotan Leather hardened to 1½, and Union Cold Storage 6 p.c. Pref. to 1⅛. The Harrod group set a good tone among Draperies and Stores. The Ordinary put on 1/16, and Harrods B.A. hardened 1/16 to 1¼. Activity also characterised the B.A. Def., which eventually closed about ¼ better at 9½. There were a number of gains in Insurance Securities, which were again dealt in with a fair amount of freedom. Royal Exchange were bid for boldly, and rose 10 points to 570. Little of interest transpired among Bank Shares. Shipping Securities were a firm market, with the exception of P. and O. Def., which dropped 10 to 565.

A cheerful appearance was presented by the Textile group, which came in for an unusual share of attention. Movements were for the most part upwards under the buoyant leadership of Courtaulds, which rose again to 12⅞, establishing another record figure. Bleachers hardened 1/16 to 2, Sewing Cottons were ⅛ up at 4⅞, and Spinners were again in demand, eventually finishing 1/16 higher at 4. The Pref. were inclined to stiffen in sympathy, and were a little better at 1⅛. Benskins were in quiet demand among Breweries, which, on the whole, were inclined to sag. British Glass were wanted around 4½, and B.A.T. showed no inclination to yield the gains of the previous day. Caterers were, if anything, a bit weaker. Liptons lost 1/16, and Liebigs ⅛ at 23⅛. Land Shares were well favoured, and dealings were not so restricted as might have been expected. Nigers braced up a little, and finished 1s. higher at 77s., and Pekin Syndicates put on a fraction at 32s. Rios were a trifle easier at 13s. 6d., but Sudan Plantations hardened ⅛ to 7⅛.

MINES REMAIN CHEERFUL.

BUYING OF FAVOURITES IN PROGRESS.

THE RAND MINES AND CROWN MINES DIVIDENDS.

(FROM THE FINANCIAL NEWS OF TO-DAY.)

Although business in the House showed a tendency to decrease in volume, owing to the approach of the holidays, the tone kept remarkably firm all round. The improvement in the French exchange helped to maintain cheerfulness, and a more confident feeling regarding the outlook checked realisations. The Mining market held up well, and as regards the Kaffir section, overnight dividend announcements gave general satisfaction. All day this department was on the *qui vive* as to the Rand Mines distribution, this being rightly regarded as a very useful pointer as to the position and prospects of the whole industry. It was only after the close of official dealings, however, that the amount became known, the company declaring 3s. 9d for the half year (as against 1s. 6d. twelve months ago), making 5s., or 100 p.c., for the year, as compared with 85 p.c. for 1918. The Crown Mine announces 3s. 6d., against 1s. in December, 1918, but the total for the year is 20 p.c., the same as for the preceding twelve months. Rand Mines Shares were in good request and went ahead sharply, some of the buying coming possibly from New York, where the shares are expected to be listed early in the new year. The other financial descriptions were not much in evidence. Far Easterns were being picked up here and there, and the general tendency at the close was quite good, the advance in the price of gold to 109s. per ounce being a distinctly helpful factor. Under the lead of Chartered, which went ahead smartly, Rhodesians gave a much better account of themselves, despite the news of the continuance of labour difficulties. Diamonds were not so eagerly sought after as of late, and the only noticeable movement was a small decline in Jagersfontein. The price of the metal was practically unaltered, but the Tin Share market continued to display strength, and in one or two instances business was inclined to broaden, Ropps and Mongu, among the Nigerian, being strong spots. West African Gold Shares were steady, but Australians were inclined to dulness, the continued unsatisfactory labour position checking any expansion of activity. On the other hand, there was no pronounced selling, and prices generally were steady. Coppers and Russians were uninteresting, but some of the miscellaneous descriptions were being picked up, notably Columbian Mining, Burmas, and Santa Gertrudis. Chemical and Metallurgical Shares were easier, but Minerals Separation maintained their advance at 15½. British Platinum were unaffected by the publication of the terms of the proposed amalgamation with the Paris Transvaal.

OILS FIRM UNDER THE LEAD OF MEXICAN EAGLES.

SHELLS MAINTAIN A GOOD TONE—BURMAHS IMPROVE.

(FROM THE FINANCIAL NEWS OF TO-DAY.)

Although business in Oil Shares yesterday was not on a large scale, and once more centred mainly on the leading descriptions, the tendency of the market remained decidedly firm. A moderate amount of activity was again witnessed in Mexican Eagles, these shares, in fact, being the most prominent feature of the market, a further steady advance occurring as the result of some good buying. A good deal of business was done in the "Rights," which naturally improved with the shares. Shells were a firm market, although the price kept within narrow limits, and was finally unchanged, while Burmahs, which had a slightly easier appearance at the start, met with buyers later, and finished at an advance. Following the sharp spurt of the preceding day, English Oilfields became the subject of profit-taking sales, and the price receded. Trinidad issues were firm, higher prices ruling for Leaseholds and United British. Anglo-Egyptians were dull, but Lobitos improved. Among Russians, Ural Caspians came on offer, and moved down. Closing prices:—

Anglo-American	7⅞	7⅞	
Anglo-Bulgarian	9/3	10/3	+3d.
Anglo-Egyptian "B"	4⅜	4¼	−⅛
Anglo-Maikop	6/3	7/3	
Anglo-Persian Pref.	24/9	25/9	
Anglo-United		¼ pm.	−1/16
Assam	2⅛	2⅛	
Black Sea Amalgamated	3/9	4/3	+3d.
British Burmah Petroleum	2⅜	2½	+⅛
Burmah	17¾	18⅝	+⅝
Chijotes Oil	20/0	21/0	
Copan Oilfields	6/0	7/0	+3d.
Cyprus Oil Trust	4/6	5/0	+3d.
Eagle Transport Pref.	5⅛	5¼	
English Oilfields	4⅛	4⅛	−¼
Havana Oil	3/7½	3/10½	
Kern River	33/6	34/6	
Lobitos	4¼	4⅜	+⅛
Maikop Petroleum Trust	8/0	9/0	
Mexican Eagle Ord.	10⅞	10⅞ x.r.	+¼
Mexican Eagle Pref.	10½	10⅝ x.r.	+¼
National Petroleum	9/3	10/3	−6d.
New Grosny Oilfields	7/0	8/0	
New Schibaieff	⅝		
North Caucasian	24/3	25/3	
Oilfields Finance	8/3	9/3	
Oilfields of England	⅛	⅛	−1/16
Oil Trust	3/6	3/9	
Premier Oil	7/3	7/9	
Ratoczyn Galicia Pref.	3⅛	4	
Roumanian Oil	22/6	23/6	
Shell Transport	10⅜	10⅝	
Ditto Pref.	8⅛	8⅜	
Spies (10/-)	11/6	12/6	
Suvoroff Taman	7/0	8/0	
Tampico Panuco Pref.	7/0	7/6	+3d.
Trinidad Central	5⅛	5⅜	
Trinidad Leaseholds	3⅛	3⅜	+⅛
United Brit. of Trinidad	1⅛	1⅜ x.r.	+⅛
Ural Caspian	1⅛	1¼	−⅛
Uroz Oilfields	1⅛	1⅛	
Venezuelan Oil Con.	4⅛	4⅜	

RUBBER SHARES CONFIDENT.

(FROM OUR FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

The price of rubber had a further rise to 2s. 7½d. per lb. A confident tone prevailed in the share market, where numerous quotations again showed improvement on the day, while movements in the other direction were few and far between. Rubber Trust and Anglo-Dutch were without alteration. Batu Kawan were taken at 44s. 4½d., and Brich around 46s. 9d. x.d. Batu Caves were ⅛ higher at 18, and Bukit Kajang were 2s. up at 89s. 6d. Carey United eased 1/16 to 55s., but Eastern Trust were a little higher on the day at 30s. 3d. Java United improved to 39s. 9d., and Nirmala Ord. to 28s. 9d. Oriental were done at £5, and Pilmoor gained 1/16 at 72s. 6d. Prye showed business around 7⅛ bid, while rises of ⅛ were shown by Sialang at 95s. and Sumatra Consolidated at 62s. 6d. Scottish Malay were wanted at 6⅛. Straits Rubber were also better at 6⅜, as were United Sua Betong at 5⅛. A good many floriners rose on the day. Dolok were 2d. better at 4s 8d., Marawan made a similar gain at 5s. 1½d., and Narborough hardened to 4s. 1½d. Perak were 6d. up at 7s., and Teluk Piah strengthened to 4s. 4½d. buyers, while United Temiang showed a further rise at 6s. 1½d. In the Borneo section Bangawan were a little higher at 3s. 9d., and North Borneo State Rubber was wanted at 20s. 6d., while Sapong improved to 44s. 3d. Sablas were a trifle lower at 29s. 6d.

CLOSING PRICES.

The quotations in the following tables were made up at an earlier hour than, and may, therefore, vary to some extent from, those given in our comments.

MINING SHARES.

Gvt. Min. Area	5¼−1/16	Presiden. Bk. A.	5/6+3d
Paris Trans.	3/10½+1½d	A.-Continental	23/-+1/-
Trans. Consd.	1⅛−1/16	Gurum River	8/9+1/-
Do. Def.	12/10½+1½d	Jos	5/3+3d
Welgedacht	1⅛−1/16	Keffi	12/6+3d
Bantjes	5/3−9d	Mongu	22/6+6d
Con. Main Reef	15/9+6d	Naraguta Extn.	12/3+9d
Daggafontein	21/-+6d	Rayfield	12/9+6d
Geduld	3−1/16	Ropp	28/3+9d
Kleinfontein	15/6−3d	Tin Areas	11/-+1½d
Meyer	5+⅛	Dolcoath	6/6+6d
Primrose	5/3+6d	Geevor	1¼+⅛
Randfontein C.	21/3−3d	Ipoh	18/-+3d
Robinson	15/-+7½d	Siamese	3⅛+⅛
Simmer & Jack	6/10½−1½d	Assoc. N. Blks.	3/5+3d
Sub. Nigel	1⅞−1/16	Kalgurli	13/9+3d
Van Ryn	1/16	Lake View	21/6+6d
De Beers	30−¼	Colombian Min.	2⅜+⅛
Do. Pref.	12⅜+¼	Mex. Mines El Oro	7⅛+⅛
Crown Mines	3⅞−1/16	Santa Gertrudis	34/3+6d
Knights Deep	11/6−3d	St. John del Rey	17/-−3d
Rand Mines	3⅜+1/16	Bawdwin	6¼+¼
Van Ryn Deep	5¼−⅛	Bk. Hill North	5¼+⅛
Village Deep	17/9−3d	Burma Corp.	13⅞+⅛
Witwaters. Deep	11/9−3d	Oorregum Pref.	1⅛−1/16
Bech. Explor.	12/-+3d	Sulphide	22/-−3d
Brit. C. Africa	12/-−9d	Zinc Corp.	1⅞−1/16
Chartered	21/9+6d	Lena	1⅜
Gaika Gold	1/-−3d	Russo-Asiatic	3⅝−⅛
London-Rhodesia	8/3−3d	Sissert Co.	3⅛−⅛
Mash. Agency	8/-+9d	Cape Copper	1⅛−1/16
Rezende	3½−¼	Mount Lyell	25/9−3d
Rhod. Bk. Hill	18/3+6d	Namaqua	1⅛+⅛
Willoughby	7/-+3d	Rio Tinto	45−¼
G.F. East. Akim	2⅝+1/16		

RUBBER SHARES.

Anglo-Ceylon	87/6+1/3	Mergui (x.d.)	5/7½
Anglo-Dutch	53/-	Merlimau (x.d.)	6/11+1d
Anglo-Sum.	99/4½+1/10½	North Labis	40/-+1/3
Bakap	37/6+1/-	Pahang Para (ex. bs.)	5/6½
Bantardawa	24/3+3d	Pegoh	68/6+6d
Banteng	72/6−1½d	Perak R. Plant.	7/-+6d
Batang Malaka	4/9½−¼d	Pilmoor	72/6+1/3
Batu Caves	18+⅛	Rubber Estate Ceylon	38/1½+1/10½
Batu Tiga (ex. bs.)	70/-	Rubber Estate Johore	48/9−1/3
Beverley	2/4½−1½d	Rubber Trust	43/-
Brich (x.d.)	46/6+3d	Sablas	29/6−3d
Bukit Clob	5/10½+1d	Sapong	44/3+9d
Bukit Kajang	89/6+2/-	Selangor Unit	4/0¼+1d
Bukit Panjong (x.r.)	12/9	Sengat	3/3−1½d
Bukit Mert.	5/8½+1½d	Serdang Cent.	53/9+1/6½
Carey United	55/-−1/3	Shelford	38/9−7½d
Chersonese	4/2−1½d	Sialang	95/-+2/6
Cheviot	8/-−1½d	Sing. Para	4/3−½d
Cons. Malay	13/6+1½d	Strathmore	75/7½+1/1½
Dolok	4/9¼+1½d	Sumatra Cons.	63/9+2/6
East. Trust	30/3+10½d	Sumatra Para	10/9+3d
General Ceylon Rubber	65/-−1/10½	Sungei Buaya	75/7½+7½d
Glenbervie	76/3+3/9	Sungei Choh (x.d.)	5 3-64
Hayoep	22/7½+6d	Sungei Kapar	8/6−3d
Java Para	51/10½+1½d	Sungei Kr. Pref. (x.d.)	70/-
Jobore Rub.	38/1½+3d	Sungei Way	£7 10/6−4/3
Kamuning	4/7+½d	Talping	4/-+½d
Kapar Para	80/4½−2/1½	Teluk Ayer	42/3+3d
Kepong	10/-+7½d	Tamiang	57/3+4½d
Kimanis	26/6+6d	Tebrau	78/[illegible]
Kinta Kellas	5/-−3d	Telogoredjo	77/6[illegible]
Kombok	7/5½+2d	Un. Sua Betong (x.)	5⅛+⅛
Lanadron	45/3−6d	Val d'Or	4/2½+1d
Langkat Rubber	56/10½+1/10½	Vallambrosa	23/6
Laras	4/3¼+1½d	Way-Halim	2/10½
Lendu	34/6−6d	Yam Seng	10/-
Linggi	66/6+6d		
Lumut	54/6+1/-		
Malayalam	46/6−4½d		

HOME RAILS.

Brighton A.	58¼ 9¼+ ½	L., B.&S.W new 5% Pf.	84-6
Cal'dn Df. Or.	10⅞ 11¼+ ⅝	Metropolitan	23 6+ ⅛
Cent. Lon Df.	37-42	do. So. e. Pf.	69-72
Chat'm Or.	10¼ ¾	do. District	20 21
Gt. Cen'l Df.	8¼ ¾+ ¼	Midland Def.	57 8+ ½
Gt. Eastern	36 ¾+ ¾	N. Brit. Def.	15¼ 16+ ¼
Gt. N. Pref.	54¼ 5¼	N. East Con.	94¼ ¾+ ½
do. Def.	39¼ 40¼+1¼	do. 4% Pf.	90-3
Gt. Western	83¾ 80¼+1½	Sth. Est. Df.	33¾ ¾
Hull&Barns'y	55¼ 6¼+ ¼	do. 5 Pref.	70-3
Lancs.&Yks.	68 9+1	Taff Vale	52½ 3½
L. & N-W.	92¼ 3¼+1¼	Und. Elec.	2½ 3½+ ⅛
do. 4% Pf.	[illegible]	do. In. Bds.	81-3
L. &S-W.	77 80+3	do. 6 p.c. Dbs	84¼ 6¼+ ¼
do Def.	77 8+ ½		

MISCELLANEOUS.

Aerated Bread	4¼ ¾	Home & Col. Pf.	4⅜ ⅝− ⅛
Armstrong	1⅜ ⅝	do. 15% Cm. Or. £1	1⅞ 2⅛
A. P'd Cemnt.	26 0.7/0+0/3	Hyder Deccan	1⅛ ⅛
do. Pref.	14/6 15/6	Im Tobac Or.	68 0.7/0
Abouktr Land	1⅛ ⅛	J. Brown	1⅛ ⅛
Arg'nt. N'th'n Ld.	1⅜ 1⅜	do. (15/pd)	1⅛+ ⅛
do. South. Ld.	1¼ ½	Kynoch	1⅛ ⅝
Anglo-Arg 1st Pf.	3⅛ ⅞	Lipton	1⅛ ⅛
Alisopp. Pf Ord.	98 103	do. Pref.	15/0 16/0−0/6
do. 5% Pref.	85 9	Lyons	5 ⅞
Alby United	14/3 15/3−0/3	Lister & Co.	47/6 9/6
Borax Con Df.	1⅞ 1⅜	Lovell Cl'nsa.	1⅛ ⅛
Bri. P'd. Cmt.	30/3 1/0	Magadi Soda	20/0 1/0−0/6
B.S.A	1⅞ ⅞	Maypole Def.	⅞ 1
B.A.A. Meat	1⅛ ⅞	Mond Nickel	2⅞ 3⅛
Bass, Rat. Pref.	72 7	Montr'al St. Db.	95 8
British Oil Ck.	1⅞ ¾+ ⅛	Monterey Db.	29 34−1
Brunner Mond	2⅝ ⅞	Mex. Trams	28 32
B'tholomay Pf.	4¼ ¾	do. Bonds	40 4
Bt. N. Bor. Ld.	16 6 17/6	do. L.& P. Bs.	31 3
Brazil'n Trac.	59¼ 62¼	Nigers	3⅛ ⅞
Brit. Col. Elec. Pf.	40 43	Pahang (5s)	1⅛ ⅛
do. 4½% Db.	61¼ 3¼	Parent Tyre Df.	3 ⅜
Bryant &May	35/4 4/6+0/3	Pease Partns.	38 0 2/0+0 3
Cammell L'd.	1¼	P. & O. Del.	390-400−10
Cargo Fleet	24 0 5/0	Projectiles (£1)	1⅛ ⅛
Coats	7⅞ 8¼+ ⅛	Pekin Syn.	31/6 2/0−2/0
Courtaulds	12⅛ ¾+ ⅜	Paripan	2⅛ ⅛
Court Line	41 6 42 6+0/6	Patters	23 6−4 6+0/6
Cunard Ord.	3⅛ ¾	Royal Mail Or.	180-5
Curtis&Harvey	1⅝ ⅞	Rio Lands.	13 4¾ 13/10¼
Cooper (J.)	37/6 38/0	Roneo	42-0 3/0−0 3
Charron	19 6 20/6	Straker Squire	19/0 20/0
Criterion	39 0 3/0−0/3	Salt Union	1⅛ ⅛
Duff Dev.	20 0 21/0	do. Pref.	1⅛ ⅛
Dick Kerr	1⅛ ⅛	S. Durham St.	3⅛ ⅞
Dunlop Rub	10 ⅛	Sao Paulo Db.	59¼ 60¼
Eastmans	1⅛ ¾+ ⅛	South African	2⅛ ⅞
Eley Bros.	1⅛ ⅛	Shaw W'ter Db.	95-8
Furness Withy	2⅛ 3	Tim. Fireproof	9⅛ 10⅛
Forestal L'nd.	2⅛ ⅛	Un. Stm. N. Z	19 6 20/6
Do. Pref.	17/6 18/0	Vickers	31/0 2/0
Fa'rs Glass Pf.	21 6 2/6	Van Den Berghs	3⅛ ⅛
Guinness	340 50+10	Vaux Motor	16 0 7/0
do. Pref.	107 8	Welford	⅛
Hudson's Bay	8 ⅛	Weard'lee.p.c.	1⅛ ⅞
Harrod's	4⅞ ⅞+ ⅛	Wallpaper	16/3 17/3

TELEGRAPHS.

A.-Amer. Df.	21¾,4⅛	Marconi Can.	13 0,14/0
Marconi Ord.	3⅞,4⅛	Marconi Amer.	29/6,30/6
Marconi Pref.	3⅛,⅝	do. Spanish.	11/0,12/0
do. Marine	2⅛,⅞−1/16		

TEA SHARES.

Anglo-Ceylon States, 87/6+1/3; Assam, 75½−½; Imperial Ord., 34/-+1/6; Jetinga Valley, 41/10½+2/7½.

* Ex rights. † Ex Div. ‡ Ex bonus. a Ex arrears.

DEALINGS IN LONDON MARKET.

The following dealings among active stocks and shares were "marked" in London yesterday:—

Consols—50 1/16, *1⅛, 50⅞, ⅞, ⅛, ⅞, ⅞, ⅞, ⅞. **3½ p.c. War Loan**—85⅞, 5, ⅛, ⅞. **4 p.c. Funding Loan**—75⅞, 8⅞, 6⅛, ⅛, 8⅞, ⅛, ⅞, ⅞, ⅞, 6 1/16, ⅛, ⅞, ⅛. **Victory Bonds**—80 1/16, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 1/16, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅞. **4½ p.c. War Loan**—83, ⅛, ⅛, 3. **5 p.c. War Loan**—90 15/16, 1, 1/16, ⅛, 90 13/16, ⅞, ⅞, ⅛, 1, 1/16, 1/16. **4 p.c. War Loan**—100⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 1, 100⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **India 3½ p.c.**—60⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 60. **Aerated Bread**—85/-, 2/5, 1/10½. **Anglo-Dutch Rubber**—53/3, 2/9, 4½d., 3/-, 3d., 6d. **Anglo-Java Rubber**—8/-, 7/10, 9d., 10½d., 8/-. **Amalgamated Industrials**—25/6. **Anglo-American Corp. of South Africa**—56/10½, 7/6, 8/1½, 7/-. **Assoc. Cement**—26/4½, 3d., 1½d., 6d., 6/-. **Baldwins Ord.**—33/1½, 3d.; **do. New**—32/9. **Barclay's Bank "A"**—*7, ⅛, *6⅞. **Bisichi Tin**—14/4½. **Bolivar Concessions**—72/6, 1/10½. **Bovril**—15/10½, 16/1½. **British American Tobacco**—6 11/16, ⅞, £6 16/-, 6d., 6⅛, £6 15/6, 16/-. **British Argentine Meat**—25/3, 5/-. **British Burmah Oil**—50/-, 3½d. **British Dyestuffs Pref.**—10/-, 1½d.; **do. Pref. Ord.**—11/-, 10/6, 11/-. **British Borneo Pet. Syndicate**—48/1½, 50/-, 49/4½. **Bleachers** [illegible], 9d., 40/1½, 40/-, 39/10½, 7½d., 3d., [illegible]. **British Glass Industry**—86/3, 4/4½, 5/-. **Bradford Dyers**—52/6. **British Oil and Cake**—36/6, 6/9, 7/-, 9d., 6d., 3d. **British Overseas Bank**—5⅛, ⅛, ⅞, ⅛, ⅛. **Broken Hill Prop.**—50/3, 1/-, 3d., 50/9, 50/-. **Brunner Mond**—44/-, 2/10½, 4/3, 3/3, 9d., 10½d. **B.S.A.**—31/-, 30/1½, 6d. **Buenos Ayres Western Ord.**—87⅛, ⅛, 6⅛, 7½; **do. Pacific**—71⅛, ⅛, 70⅛, 1⅛, 70⅞, ⅛, 1. **Burma Corp.**—13 1/16, ⅞, ⅞, ⅞, ⅞. **Burmah Oil**—17 15/16, ⅞, ⅛, 18, 1/16, 17⅞, ⅞, ⅞, 18⅛. **Bwana M'Kubwa**—6/3. **Brazilian Tractions**—60⅛, ⅛, 59⅞, 60. **Camp Bird**—20/6. **Canadian Pacific**—172⅛, 70⅞, ⅛, 1, ⅛, *⅞, 70, *⅛, ⅛, ⅛, *⅛. **Cargo Fleet**—*23/9, 5/-. **Central Argentine Ord.**—71⅛, 2⅛, 1⅞, ⅛, ⅛, 70, 2, ⅛, 1⅛, 70⅞, ⅛, 1⅛. **Central Mining and Investment**—11⅛, ⅛. **Chartered**—21/1½, 3d., 1/-, *19/3, *20/7½, 1/3, *17/6, 21/-, 21/6. **City Deep**—67/6, 6/6, 5/7½. **Coats**—8 1/16, 7⅞, 8⅛. **Colombian Mining**—51/10½, 2/6, 4/4½. **Consol. Goldfields of South Africa**—36/10½, 7/9⅞. **Cory (Wm.)**—55/6, 4/4½, 5/3, 5/-. **County Bank**—15⅛, 16 1/16, ⅛, 15⅞, ⅞, ⅞, ⅞. **Courtaulds**—12 1/16, ⅛, 1/16, £12 1/9, 2/-, 12 1/16, ⅛, ⅛, 1/16, ⅞, ⅞, ⅞. **Calico Printers**—28/10½, 7½d., 6d. **Crown Mines**—71/3, *70/-, 7½d. **Cunard Ord.**—65/7½. **Chemical and Metallurgical**—25/6, 9d., 4/6, 5/-, 3d., 5/-. **Dunlop Ord.**—10⅛, £10 9/3, 10⅞, 1/16, £10 11/-, 10 11/16, *⅞, ⅞; **do. A Pref.**—18/3, 6d. **Dorman Long**—33/1½. **Eastmans**—20/10½, 9d., 6d. **East African Lands**—56/3, 6½d., 10½d. **East Rand Prop.**—11/1½, 9d., *11/-, 3d., 11/-. **Eastern Sumatra Rubber**—3/2½, 3½d., 2½d., 3d., 4½d., 4d., 2d. **Ediswan**—21/6, 2/-. **English Oilfields**—85/-, 4/7½, 4½d., 3/1½, 2/6, 4/4½, 1/3, 80/7½, 2/6, 5/-, 7½d., 2/6, 1/10½. **Fine Cotton Spinners**—80/7½, 79/6, 80/-, 79/10½, 4½d. **General Mining and Finance**—7/9, 11½d., 9d. **Govt. Areas**—5⅛, 19-64. **Grand Trunk Ord.**—8⅛, ⅛. **Gt. Boulder Prop.**—9/6, 3d. **Guinness Ord.**—351. **Grand Central Rubber**—34/6, 9d. **Highlands Rubber**—56/10½. **Hampton Props.**—27/6. **Imperial Tobacco**—66/3, 6d., 6/-, 1½d., 4½d., 5/9. **Johannesburg Consol.**—33/-, 3d., *3/-, 1½d., 3/-, *2/10½, *6d. **Johore Rubber Lands**—38/1½, 7/6, 9d., 8/3, 6d. **Keff Tin**—12/3, 9d., 6d., 7½d. **Kern River Oil**—33/6, 1½d., 4/1½d., 3/6, 4/3. **Kyshtim**—25/7½, 6/-, 5/3, 4/10½, 7½d., 5/3, 6d. **Linggi Rubber**—67/1½, 6/10½. **Lipton Ord.**—29/9, 3d. **London Brighton Def.**—59⅛. **London Chatham Ord.**—10⅞, ⅛. **Lyons Ord.**—5⅛, ⅞, ⅞, ⅞, ⅞, ⅞. **Magadi Soda Ord.**—20/10½, 7½d., 9d., 6d., 4½d., 6d. **Marconi Ord.**—80/3⅞, 79/4½, 80/-, 7½d., 79/6, 4½d.; **do. Pref.**—72/6, 1/3; **do. New**—19/9, 6d., *18/-, 6d., 1½d.; **do. Marine**—56/10½, 7/2½, 6/3; **do. America**—29/6; **do. Canada**—12/9, 13/-. **Maypole Def.**—18/6, 1½d., *9d., 3d., 6d., 4½d. **Mexican Eagle Ord.** (x.r.)—10⅞, ⅞, ⅞, ⅛, ⅞, *⅞, *⅞, *11⅛, 10 1/16, ⅞, ⅞, ⅞; **do. Pref.** (x.r.)—10 1/16, ⅞, ⅞, ⅞. **Midland Bank**—8, ⅞, 7⅞, 8⅞. **Midland Railway Def.**—57⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 6, 7⅞, ⅛. **Modderfontein (New)**—34⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛; **do. Deep**—54/-. **National Steam Car**—19/3. **National Prov. Bank (£4)**—9⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **New Kleinfontein Gold**—15/3, 15/-, 7½d., 10½d., 9d., *14/3, 15/6, 16/-. **Niger Land**—75/-, 6/6, 6/-, 7/-, 6/9, 6d. **Northern Exploration**—22/6, 20/3. **National Mining Corp.**—5/6, 9d., 7½d. **Oil Trust**—3/6, 7d., 5d. **Pahang**—13/1½, 15/-. **Palmers Shipbuilding**—22/1½. **Pyrotan Leather**—25/-. **Rand Mines**—76/3, 10½d., 7/6, 8/1½, 6/10½, 3d. **Randfontein Central**—20/-, 6d., 1/6, 1/-, 3d., 4½d. **Roumanian Oil**—22/6, 10½d., 7½d., 9d. **Rubber Trust**—42/9, 3/1½, 3d., 4½d. **Russo-Asiatic**—75/-. **Shell**—*10⅞, ⅞, *£10 7/-, 10⅞, ⅛, ⅞, 25-64. **South Crofty**—17/6, 7½d. **Spassky**—22/6. **Springs**—57/6, 8/1½. **Sudan Plantations**—7⅛, ⅞, ⅞. **Scottish American Oil**—19/3, 20/-, 19/6, 7½d., 10½d., 3d., 20/6, 20/-, 7½d., 10½d., 19/4½, 20/6, 1½d., 7½d. **Tanganyika**—57/6, 8/1½, 9d. **Tobacco of Rhodesia**—11/4½. **Traian Oil**—10/3. **Trinidad Leaseholds**—70/11½, 3½d., 70/-, 1/3; **do. Central Oil**—5⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **Union and Rhodesia Trust**—18/-. **Union Corp.**—23/3. **United Premier Oil and Cake Ord.**—34/6, 9d., 3d. **United Serdang Rubber**—15/9, 4½d., 6d., 7½d., 9d., 4½d. **United Steel**—21/4½, 9d., 7½d., 2/-. **United Tobacco**—5 1/16, ⅛. **Venezuelan Oil**—93/9. **Vickers**—32/10½, 9d., 4½d., 6½d., 3/-. **Victoria Falls Ord.**—16/4½, 15/7½, 16/-, 1½d. **Wiggins Teape Ord.**—16/10½. **White Tomkins Ord.**—23/9, 4/10½. **Zambesia Exploring**—26/-. **Zinc Corp.**—20/9, 6d., 1/-, 20/6.

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THE MONEY MARKET.

Bank Rate (changed Nov. 6) .... 6 p.c.

The working margin of Lombard street, owing to the usual year-end strain, showed signs of further contraction yesterday morning, and the Bank of England was called upon to discount a large number of short bills at 6 per cent. The rate for call money was firm at 4 per cent. most of the day, but limited balances were finally available at 3½ per cent. Weekly and other short fixtures were arranged at 4½ per cent., and advances into January at 5 to 5½ per cent. There was rather more business in the discount market, and, despite the discounting at the bank, rates were hardly so firm. Two months' drafts were taken at 5⅞, three months' at 5⅞, and six months' at 6 per cent.

Bank Rate (Discount) changed November 6, 1919 ... 6%

60 days (fine)		5⅞%		
3 months	5⅞	5⅞%	Trade	6¾%
4 months	5⅞	5⅞%	"	6¾%
6 months	6	6⅛%	"	6¾%
Loans to bill brokers day-to-day		3¾		4%
do. do. for a week		4½		4¾%
Deposit allowance Banks, at call		4		4%
" Discount houses, at call		4		4%
" at notice		4		4¼%

Silver fell ⅛d. to 77⅛d. spot and to 76d. forward per ounce. The price of bar gold recovered 6½d. to 109s. per ounce.

The following foreign exchange rates were current:—New York cables, 3.82½ to 3.85; Paris, 39.65 to 40.30; Amsterdam, 10.12 to 10.15; Italy, 49.00 to 49.25; Madrid, 19.85 to 19.95; Christiania, 18.59 to 18.64; Stockholm, 17.76 to 17.82; Finland, 125 to 128; Berne, 21.00 to 21.30; Brussels, 38.90 to 39.40; Berlin, 182 to 185; Rio 90 days, 17¼d.; B.A. transfers, 61⅛ to 62⅛.

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS.

KOFFYFONTEIN MINES.—7½ per cent.

J. AND P. COATS, LTD.—9d. per share, quarterly, on the Ord., including the new issues.

RILEY (COVENTRY).—Dividend of 7½ per cent.

ROSEHAUGH TEA AND RUBBER.—Interim dividend of 10 per cent.

PERAK RUBBER.—Interim dividend of 12½ per cent. (3d. per share).

ASSAM DOOARS TEA.—Interim dividend of 5 per cent., less tax.

GAN KEE RUBBER.—Dividend of 7 per cent. on the Ord.

NEW YORK BREWERIES.—3 per cent., less tax, on the Unified Stock.

TONGKAH HARBOUR TIN DREDGING.—Dividend 2/-, bonus 1/-.

MEENGLAS TEA.—Interim dividend of 5 per cent., less tax.

HOPE TEA.—Interim dividend of 10 per cent., less tax.

REDCROFT STEAM NAVIGATION.—Final dividend at the rate of 10 per cent., free of tax.

CASSEL COAL.—Further dividend of 5 per cent., making 10 per cent. for the year.

MEYER AND CHARLTON GOLD.—70 per cent. (14/- per share, against 10/- in June last).

ROSE DEEP.—A dividend of 17½ per cent. (3/6 per share) (against 1/3 in June last).

GELDENHUIS DEEP.—Dividend of 7½ per cent. (1/6 per share) (against 6d. in June last).

REZENDE MINES.—Interim dividend in respect of 1919 of 4/- per share.

NOURSE MINES.—A dividend of 3½ per cent. (9d. per share) (against nil in June last).

RAND MINES.—Interim dividend of 75 per cent. (3/9 per 5/- share) (against 1/3 in June last).

CROWN MINES.—A dividend of 35 per cent. (3/6 per 10/- share) (against 6d. per share in June last).

SOCIETE ANONYME DES MINES ET FONDERIES DE PONTGIBAUD.—Dividend of 60 francs, equal to £1 6/11 per share.

VAN RYN DEEP.—We are informed that fractions arising out of the bonus distribution of New State Areas Shares will be paid out in cash at the rate of 30 per cent. per New State Areas share.

CARRERAS, LTD.—Dividend at the rate of 17 per cent. per annum for the half-year, making 12½ per cent., free of tax, for the year.

INGALL, PARSONS, CLIVE, AND CO.—Dividend on the Ord. Shares of 5 per cent. per annum, and on the Def. Shares of 6 per cent. per annum.

ROCK INVESTMENT.—Interest at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum on the Deb. Stock and dividend at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum on the Pref. Stock for the half-year.

NATAL NAVIGATION COLLIERIES.—Dividend of 3½ per cent., plus a bonus of 1½ per cent., making in all 5 per cent. in respect of half-year ending 31st December.

SLATERS, LTD.—The report of Slaters shows a profit of £41,947, against a loss of £1,306 last year. This has been applied in reduction of the existing debit balance, now £11,315.

SUNBEAM MOTOR CAR.—The report to August 31 last states that the profit for the year, after allowing for depreciation, etc., amounts to £120,952, and £87,168 was brought in. The directors recommend a further dividend of 5 per cent., free of tax, on the Ordinary Shares, making 7½ per cent. for the year, and a bonus of 6d. per share, also free of tax, place £80,000 to reserve (making it £100,000), and £25,000 to war contingencies fund, carrying forward (subject to directors' remuneration) £51,320.

INSURANCE SHARES.

SALES IN LONDON.—Alliance, x.d. 14 7/16, ½, ⅞, ⅞; do. New, 14½, ⅞, 15; Atlas, 19, 18⅞; British Fire, 12/5; British General, 56/-, 4/-, 3/4½, 6/3; Commercial Union, 35⅞, 6; Guardian Eastern, 1⅞, 6d.; London and Lancashire, 67⅞, 6, 9, 7, 6⅞, ⅞; Motor Union, 17⅞, 1/16, ⅛, ⅛; North British, 5⅛, ⅛, ⅞; Northern, 21⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 20⅞, 1 1/16; Norwich Union, 125, 6⅞, ⅞, 6; Royal Exchange, 567⅞, 5⅞, 5, 6, 72; Reinsurance, 19/-; Sun, £18 8/6, 18⅞; United British, 45/-; World's Auxiliary, 17/10½, 18/-, 17/5, 15/5, 17/-, 18/-, 3d.

SALES IN LIVERPOOL.—Alliance (x.d.), 14⅛, ⅞, ⅞; ditto New (x.d.), 14⅞; Atlas, 18⅞, 19, 18 13/16; Employers' Liability, 59 ⅛ ⅛; Liverpool and London and Globe, 24⅞; London and Lancashire, 67⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 7, 6⅞, 6; London Assurance, 12 1/16; North British, 60⅛, 59⅞, 60, 59⅞; Northern, 21 1/16; Phœnix, £13 5/6, 6/8, ⅞; Royal Exchange, 570, 5; Royal, 47⅞; Scottish Union, 19⅞, ⅞, ⅞; Sea, 6⅞, ⅞, ⅞; State, 10 1/16; Yorkshire, 14⅞.

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PROVINCIAL EXCHANGES.

BELFAST.—Business Done—War Loan 5%, 91,91 1/16; Provincial Bank, 24⅞; London Joint City and Midland, 8; Dundalk and Newry Steampacket Co., 23 1/16; British-American Tobacco Co. Ord., *6 11/16; Cuthbert, W. M. and Co. Ord., 52/6; Shell Transport, *16 11/16; White New Prem., 2/6.

*Exceptional amount at special price.

BIRMINGHAM.—Business slackening. Rovers rather better. Sunbeams and Triumphs both shed 6d. Beans good, 9d. premium. Dunlops quiet and easier. Austins, 22/6; do. B Pref., 16/9; Belsize, 34/6; Components, 20/3; do. Pref., 20/6; do. Def., 20/6; Darracqs, 32/-; Enfields, 36/6; Humbers, 28/1½; Napiers, 3C/6; Rolls, 48/9; Rover, 41/9; Crossleys, 32/9; Singers, 75/3; Sunbeams, 37/-; Swifts, 44/6; Triumphs, 65/-; Vauxhalls, 26/9; Dunlops, 10 7/16; Parents, 23/9; do. Def., 65/6; Small Arms, 31/3; Wrigleys, 25/-; Standards, 85/6; Calthorpes, 81/6.

MANCHESTER.—Among Textile securities Bleachers were to the fore. The tone was steady. Closing prices:—Bleachers, 40/- to 41/-; do. Pref., 18/3 to 18/6; Bradford Dyers, 52/6 to 53/-; do. Pref., 17/9 to 18/-; "Slubbers," 8/6 to 8/9 (x.rts.); Calico Printers, 28/6 to 28/9; do. Pref., 14/9 to 15/-; Coats, 8 to 8⅛; Sewing Cottons, 4 11/16 to 4⅞; do. Pref., 16/6 to 16/9; Fine Spinners, 80/- to 80/6; do. Pref., 16/9 to 17/-; Velvets, 37/6 to 38/-; do. Pref., 16/6 to 17/-.

FINANCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

The law officers of the Crown having decided that it is illegal to deal in Premium Bonds, the Stock Exchange Committee have withdrawn the permission recently given to members to deal in the new French Loan, writes the City Editor of the *Evening Standard*. It was on the assurance that dealings in this Loan would be specially allowed by the Committee that many people subscribed to the new Loan. Full publicity was given to this assurance, and the law officers must have known the attitude of the Committee. Yet they raised no protest, and allowed people to subscribe. Of course, the whole policy of the Government in regard to Premium Bonds is absurd. Members of the Stock Exchange have been dealing in Premium Bonds for years past, and such dealings have been regularly recorded in the Supplementary List as soon as that has been published. Are all these dealings to be considered as illegal, and can those who have purchased Bonds through the Stock Exchange cancel their bargains?

Shareholders of the Spies Petroleum Company have passed through a period of considerable anxiety, but it may reasonably be hoped that the worst has been witnessed, and that better days are in store. At one time last year the shares, which are of the denomination of 10/-, could have been bought for about 4/-. This year the price has been up to nearly 16/-, and the current quotation is 12/-. The report up to February last, just issued, intimates that the plant and machinery are in good condition, and, considering the disorder and irregularities which ruled at Grozny during the Bolshevik *régime*, the damage on the oilfields has not been great. On February 10th last there was a stock of crude oil in tanks amounting to 2,107,608 poods. Resumption of drilling work upon the company's properties is not possible at present owing to labour shortage, but ample materials and stores are in stock to permit of its being undertaken as soon as efficient labour is available and conditions in the Caucasus improve. At the end of December, 1916, there was a balance at profit and loss of £43,934, and at February 10th last of £31,877.

A special meeting of the shareholders of the Bank of Bengal will be held in February to consider the formation of an Imperial Bank of India, with a London office, by the amalgamation of the three Presidency banks, with an authorised capital, including reserve, of 15 crores of rupees. The circular issued to the shareholders points out the probability that powerful banking interests in Great Britain may obtain control of certain Indian banking interests, to combat which, the circular adds, it is necessary for the three Presidency banks to amalgamate. It points out that failure to take advantage of the present opportunity might result in the Government being forced to establish a State bank on official lines, and to withdraw its connection from the Presidency banks.

The issue of 500,000 Ordinary Shares of £1 each in the United Dairies has been oversubscribed, and letters of allotment will be posted as early as possible. The prospectus was published in the *Irish Times* of December 13th.

As stated in the last annual report of the Lewa Rubber Estates, it was found necessary to cease work on the Estates last year owing to lack of freight. It was intended to resume tapping in March last, but the manager was unable to recommend that this should be done in view of the unsettled conditions that still prevailed in this colony. It is announced that Sir Horace Byatt has been appointed administrator of the ex-German colony under the mandate given to the British Government by the League of Nations, and that the seat of government will be at Dar-es-Salam. It is expected that satisfactory labour laws will now be established, and that shipping facilities and business conditions generally will be more favourable to British interests than under the German Government.

As stated in the last annual report of the East Africa Rubber Plantations Company, it was found necessary to cease work on the estates last year owing to the impossibility of getting produce shipped home through lack of tonnage. It was intended to resume tapping in March last, but the manager was unable to recommend that this should be done in view of the unsettled conditions that still prevailed in the colony with regard to labour and tonnage. It will be recollected that prior to the war the directors were in consultation with the directors of the Lewa Rubber Estates, Limited, and Kamna Rubber Estate, Limited, with a view to the amalgamation of the three companies. The negotiations have been resumed, and a scheme is under consideration which, if agreed upon, will be submitted for the sanction of the shareholders at extraordinary general meetings, which will be convened as soon as possible.

We are informed that the issue of the Ship Salvage Corporation, Ltd., has been over-subscribed. Letters of allotment and regret will be posted as soon as possible. The prospectus appeared in the *Irish Times* of December 18th.

STOCK EXCHANGE NOTICES.

SECURITIES IN WHICH DEALINGS HAVE BEEN SPECIALLY ALLOWED.

Dealings in the following securities have been specially allowed by the Stock Exchange Committee under Temporary Regulation 4 (3):—

Alby United Carbide Factories—1,580,226 Ordinary Shares of £1 each, fully paid, Nos. 725,001 to 2,305,226, after issue of allotment letters.

Mexican Eagle Oil—2,277,839 Ordinary Shares of 10 dollars Mexican, fully paid, Nos. B4,905,680 to B7,183,518, and fractional certificates.

Dealings in the shares of the following companies have been specially allowed by the Committee, and the shares are now included with those in which settlements have already been granted:—

Bacot Rubber Estates—3,500 shares of 2/- each, fully paid, Nos. 297,201 to 300,700.

Gold Coast Consolidated Lands—80,000 shares of 5/- each, fully paid, Nos. 201,276 to 281,275.

Gold Coast Explorers—600,000 shares of 1/- each, fully paid, Nos. 400,001 to 1,000,000.

Kota Tinggi (Johore) Rubber—28,519 Ordinary Shares of 2/- each, fully paid, Nos. 275,001 to 291,019 and 324,667 to 337,166.

Pelepah Valley (Johore) Rubber—56,300 shares of 2/- each, fully paid, Nos. 907,896 to 937,595, 939,510 to 942,809, and 954,030 to 977,329.

Signting (Negri Sembilan) Rubber—27,441 shares of 2/- each, fully paid, Nos. 197,001 to 206,501 and 236,635 to 244,674.

Oil Statistics.—The monthly statistical compilation issued in connection with the oil industry can be had on application to Mr. William MacArthur, Gardiner House, Lower Gardiner street, Dublin. Capital of companies, yields, outputs, etc., are included.

The Disposal Board, Ministry of Munitions, has sold over 10,000,000 yards of surplus flannel for an amount approaching two millions sterling.

NO LONDON DEALINGS IN FRENCH PREMIUM BONDS.

The following notice was posted on the London Stock Exchange yesterday:—

In consequence of the opinion of the law officers of the Crown that dealings in Premium Bonds are illegal under the Lotteries Act, 1823, the permission given by the Committee for General Purposes on the 8th inst. for dealings in the 8,000,000 French 5 per cent. Premium Bonds of 500 francs each is cancelled.

WHITE, TOMKINS, AND COURAGE, LIMITED.

Owing to the Christmas holiday intervening, the time allowed for splitting the new shares and paying them off was found to be too short. The directors have, therefore, decided to extend the time for splitting until 31st December, instead of the 22nd. It was originally intended that payment must be made to the company's bankers by the 29th inst., but the date has now been altered to the 7th January. The various Stock Exchanges have been notified accordingly.

MARKET REPORTS.

CATTLE.—DUBLIN METROPOLITAN, North Circular road, Tuesday.—Our Metropolitan live stock gathering to-day, as was anticipated, proved more or less of a nominal character, and business of a holiday routine. There were merely 1,259 beasts and 1,637 sheep to deal with, and even these proved too many for the trade practicable. Transactions were mainly confined to the selections of a few North of Ireland and Manchester cattle buyers and a conspicuously small number of local victuallers. For choice finished grass bullocks prices ran on much the same lines as previously, viz., from 78/- to 82/- and 83/- per cwt.; but stall-fed fitted for interest, and were more or less [illegible] at [illegible] prices may be reckoned 1/- to 2/-, and 3/- per cwt. for ordinary cattle below last Thursday, and few buyers could be found for lean or inferior descriptions. Sheep, the majority of which remained unsold, being of a nondescript character, also proved a slow and uncertain sale, whilst nice quality wethers only were placed at similar rates to Thursday, viz., from 1/3 to 1/5 per lb.

DUBLIN DAIRY, North Circular road, Tuesday.—Only 40 milch cows on market. A couple of extra nice fresh stockers realised up to £50 and £55 apiece, but the majority of exhibits were of very ordinary merit, and little interest centred in their sale.

DUBLIN PIG, North Circular road, Tuesday.—The 111 pigs brought in here were quickly cashed, and prices only transpired in a few transactions. Terms, however, may be safely reckoned some shillings per cwt. in excess of control maximum for well-finished bacon hogs and porkers. A brace of very nice quality hogs made £26.

GAVIN LOW, LTD.—Market Report, 50 Prussia street, Dublin, 23rd December, 1919.—Supplies:—Cattle 1,259, decrease 4,912; Sheep 1,637, decrease 5,591. There were only 1,259 cattle at market this morning; very few buyers were in attendance, and last week's prices were only obtained in exceptional instances. Sheep were shown in excess of requirements, and it was difficult to effect a clearance. Quotations:—Best bullocks and heifers from 78/- to 83/- per cwt. live weight, others from 70/- to 77/- per cwt. live weight, cows from 40/- to 80/- per cwt. live weight; mutton 1/3 to 1/6. Fixtures:—1920—January 5th, letting of 48 Acres of Grazing Lands at Killarkin, Dunboyne, for Mrs. Lindsay FitzPatrick. January 14th, Important Sale at Palmerstown, Straffan, for the Hon. Lady Albreda Bourke. Store Cattle Sale every Thursday.—(Advt.)

ARMSTRONG AND SMITH'S REPORT, 28 Prussia street, December 23rd, 1919.—Beasts 1,269, decrease 4,912; sheep 1,637, decrease 5,391. The market to-day was of a holiday character. Both cattle and sheep sold at about late rates. Beef, 70/- to 80/-; extra, 84/- per cwt. Mutton, 1/3 to 1/6 per lb.—(Advt.)

PATRICK O'CONNOR AND SON, Auctioneers, Valuers, Cattle, Sheep, and Wool Salesmen, 49 Queen street. 'Phones—535 Dublin and 71 Ballsbridge. 23rd December, 1919.—Our market to-day was of a holiday nature. The meagre supplies offered were in excess of the demand, which was principally confined to local and Northern buyers, and sellers were forced to accept a reduction in prices in order to clear. Sheep a similar trade.—(Advt.)

ROBERT CRAIGIE'S REPORT, 37 Prussia street, Dublin, 23rd December, 1919.—Supplies:—Cattle 1,259, decrease 4,912; sheep 1,637, decrease 5,591. Market of a holiday nature. The small supply of well-finished cattle on offer met a good inquiry, but last week's rates ruled all transactions. Secondary and rough descriptions cleared with difficulty. Sheep of all classes distinctly dearer. Telegrams—"Craigie, Dublin." Telephone—2553.—(Advt.)

REPORT OF BERGIN, O'CONNOR AND CO., LTD., Cattle Salesmen, 11 St. Joseph's road, Dublin, December 23rd, 1919.—Supplies:—Cattle 1,259, decrease 4,912; sheep 1,637, decrease 5,591. The market to-day was of a holiday character. The short supply of well-finished cattle led to a good inquiry at recent satisfactory prices. In the absence of cross-Channel buyers the demand for secondary and other sorts moved slowly. The trade for sheep, due to the short supply, was brisk, an early clearance being effected. Quotations:—Cattle—Best, 80/- to 86/- per cwt. live weight; secondary, 73/- to 79/- per cwt. live weight; cows, bulls, 65/- to 80/- per cwt. live weight. Mutton, 1/3 to 1/6½ per lb. Telephone No. 3860. Telegraphic address—"Approve, Dublin."—(Advt.)

BIRMINGHAM, Tuesday.—There was a very active market for pigs, but supplies continue limited. Irish arrivals being small. Prices are maintained at 23/- per score live weight, and 30/6 per score dead weight.

GRAIN.—FLOATING GRAIN CARGOES.—BALTIC, Tuesday.—WHEAT—Australian ex store terms allocated to Plymouth at 63/- per 480 lbs. MAIZE firm; Argentine January-February, also early March sold 65/- per 480 lbs. BARLEY firm, and holders reserved; No. 4 Canada Western nominally 78/-, and La Plata afloat quoted 76/- per 400 lbs. OATS firmer; Argentine January-February sold 52/6, February-March quoted 51/6 per 320 lbs.

LIVERPOOL, Tuesday.—C.I.F. parcels of WHEAT were fairly active. MAIZE steady with River Plate February-March quoted 64/- and April-May 63/- per qr., while 90/9 was paid for American mixed loading by January 7. FLOUR moved but moderately on the Government terms. BEANS and PEAS were steadily held. BARLEY and OATS firm, and occasionally dearer. OATMEAL quiet, and local made easier in value. MILL OFFALS firm on scarcity. In wheat parcels afloat No. 2 red winter sold at 58/-, No. 3 56/6, No. 4 55/6; No. 3 Manitoba 58/-, and rejected Manitoba 57/- per qr.; No. 2 red winter, also sold to Manchester at 58/- per qr. Canadian feed BARLEY arrived at Manchester quoted 73/- per qr., and River Plate oats 52/6 per qr. CHINA HORSE BEANS arrived at Liverpool quoted £21 5/- per ton c.i.f. terms.

I BUY OATS.—A. H. SMITH, 10 Burgh quay, Dublin.—(Advt.)

PROVISIONS.—DUBLIN POTATO, Tuesday.—The consumptive demand for potatoes shows some improvement, which rather puts a tighter pull on supplies, which are none too plentiful in our centre at present. City prices average 8/- to 9/- per cwt. for suitable quality potatoes.

LIVERPOOL, Tuesday.—This market will be closed from to-morrow (Wednesday) night until Monday morning next for the Christmas holidays. Chicago cables show live hogs lower, but a sharp improvement in speculative products; while arrivals here are very limited. The holiday feeling is beginning to make itself felt, and little disposition is shown to do business, operations being confined to the supply of urgent local requirements, which are easily filled at maximum rates from the fair supply of good class bacon now available; poor qualities fail to attract attention. HAMS sell freely, as the offerings are still very limited, and bring full prices. Shoulders difficult to move, buyers being not attracted by the low rates at which all descriptions are now ruling. LARD on the spot inactive, with the supplies still in excess of requirements, especially American refined; Chinese bacon pressed for sale, but not wanted; Irish, however, in good demand at full prices. CHEESE moves fairly, the distribution of recent allotment of imported being on sale to consumers from to-day at the increased price of 1/8 per lb. BUTTER still firm, and freely absorbed on the controlled basis, as supplies become available. EGGS—Irish nominal, Canadian firm at 38/- to 38/6, American 33/- to 35/-, and Egyptian 26/8 per 120.

JAMES J. HALPIN, Wholesale Bacon Merchant, 18-19 Thomas st., Dublin. Telegrams—"Middles." 'Phone 1716. Specialising in O'Mara's, Ltd., products.—(Advt.)

DUBLIN GAME AND POULTRY, Tuesday.—Christmas poultry markets have worked out very disappointingly with regard to supplies. In fact, never practically in the history of the seasonable run of our traditional festive sales has there been such phenomenal scarcity of turkeys, geese, ducks, and heavy Christmas fowl, and this appears to be due to shipping dealers and traders at the other side ignoring control terms, and snapping up supplies throughout the country at such enhanced rates as the home trade do not deem safe to work upon. In the circumstances quotations are difficult to record.

DUBLIN FRUIT AND VEGETABLES, Tuesday.—Imported fruit, etc., plentiful, and generally quoted on stock prices; rates, however, show mostly an easing tendency. Irish apples still plentiful, and a slow sale. Trays average 1/10 to 4/- and 5/6, and barrels 17/- to 24/- and 26/-; pears, 1/- to 1/6 per box. Big market of vegetables, and strong all round demand. Cabbage extraordinarily dear. Everything quickly sold up. Rhubarb 5/- to 5/9 per dozen bundles; broccoli, 2/3 to 3/-; extras, 4/- and 5/6; sprouts, 2/8 to 4/6 per tray, and 4/0, 5/6, 6/3, and 7/6 per first and half bushel; spinach, 8d. to 10d. and 1/-; Savoy cabbage, 42/- to 60/-, 65/-, and 84/- per load; Yorks, 50/- to 80/-, 101/-, and 102/- per load; celery, 2/- to 5/- and 7/6 per bundle; sage, 2/- to 2/6 and 4/- per dozen bunches; thyme, 10d. to 2/- ditto; white turnips, 8d. to 1/4 per bundle; carrots, 1/- to 1/6 and 1/10 per dozen bundles; swedes, 2/- per cwt.; parsnips, 7/6 to 9/- per cwt.; parsley, 6d. to 1/6 per lot; leeks, 1/2 to 3/- and 4/- per dozen bunches; beet, 4d. to 6d. per dozen.

DUBLIN FISH, Tuesday.—Two steam trawlers marketed just 200 boxes of stuff, but country supplies and bookers offerings were light; 70 packages herrings and 5 chests lobsters also came in. Market quickly sold up at dearer rates. First pick lobsters averaged 30/- to 40/- per 13; seconds, 15/- to 20/-; others, 7/6 to 15/- per 13. Herrings went up to 45/- per barrel, and some at 5/- per box. Real fish all round went at control rates, perhaps more money on fine selections.

BILLINGSGATE FISH, Tuesday.—Supply fairly liberal; moderate trade. Soles, 1/3 to 1/8; slips, 1/- to 1/4; red mullet, 1/10; halibut, 1/4; lemon soles, 1/3; lobsters, 3/6 to 4/- per lb.; live eels, 26/- per draft; dories, 5/-; turbot, 12/- to 14/-; brill, 10/- to 13/-; plaice, 8/- to 14/-; witches, 4/- to 14/-; megrims, 6/-; cod, 6/- to 8/-; mackerel, 6/-; whiting, 4/- to 7/-; hake, 9/9; garnet, 5/-; haddocks, 3/- to 8/-; skate, 7/-; herrings, 5/-; monkfish, 6/- per stone.

GRIMSBY FISH, Tuesday.—Supply good from 45 North Sea, two Iceland, and one Faroe trawlers. English cod, 8/-; sprags, 7/-; plaice, 13/- to 14/-; dabs, 10/-; roker, 10/-; gibbed haddocks and kit haddocks, 8/- to 10/-; small, 6/- to 7/-; Faroe cod, 7/- to 8/-; jumbo haddocks, 6/- to 7/-; Iceland cod, 6/- to 7/-; plaice, 6/- to 7/- per stone; lemon soles, 1/3; brills, 1/-; soles, 1/- to 2/- per lb.

MANCHESTER, Tuesday.—BACON and HAMS—Owing to the approaching holidays buyers are operating only for immediate requirements. LARD quiet, and in good supply. CHEESE steady at the scheduled rates. EGGS were in limited supply, with United States still scarcer at 34/- to 36/-, and Canadian 38/6 to 40/-. BUTTER—The distribution on a 1-oz. basis is proceeding smoothly, the delivery consisting principally of good quality Danish, with a moderate supply of Australian.

BUTTER AND EGGS.—LITTLE GREEN, Tuesday.—There is very little change in the position of markets for either butter or eggs. With regard to creamery butter coming from cold storage there is the same trouble about short weight and spotted quality in many cases, but some stuff is turning out satisfactory in both quality and weight. The demand for suitable butter is very keen, and creams make around 2/9 to 2/9½ per lb. Factory butter is more or less neglected since creams are coming out, and prices run from 2/8 to 2/9 per lb. Farmers' butter in moderate compass, but mostly of coarse and unsuitable description, some selling down as low as 2/5 and 2/6 per lb., whereas nicer qualities are bringing 2/7 to 2/8, and for superfine grades, 2/8½. Supplies of Irish eggs are commencing to show expansion, and the undertone in values is becoming correspondingly weaker, but so far there is no change in wholesalers' terms that they are now enabled to get out without loss, but selling figures are still around 30/- per 120.

CORK BUTTER, Tuesday.—Firsts, 295/-; fresh butter, 290/- per cwt.

PRODUCE.—LONDON, Tuesday.—The various Produce Markets will be closed from Wednesday evening until the following Monday morning. General course of trade remained quiet in most sections, while of a holiday character, and prices in most instances showed little alteration. SUGAR—Market unaltered, and free parcels quiet; Dutch granulated W.S.R. quoted 114/-, and white Mozambique spot 110/- per cwt. COCOA—Market generally steady, with a moderate inquiry. TEA remains firm by private treaty; no auctions held. COFFEE—Spot trade slow, but futures inactive; March quoted 120/-, May 116/-, July 113/6, September 111/6 per cwt. RICE steady for Siam broken qualities; bran quiet. SPICE—Pepper in quiet demand, and prices remained unaltered. Cloves steady; Zanzibar spot sold 2/4⅞. TAPIOCA quiet, and nominally unaltered. Sago flour maintained; January-March sellers 31/6. Farina ditto 38/3. Sweet potato flour spot sold 32/-. Japan ginger—Spot 60/- per cwt. JUTE—Market fully steady, with a fair inquiry, but particulars of business passing is mostly withheld; native first marks actuals assortment December-January London Dundee quoted £64, ditto substitutes £59, and Daisee No. 2 substitutes £54 per ton. Calcutta Hessians remained steady. HEMP—Market remained firm for Manila qualities; J grade January-March buyers £55, with lower grades at proportionate rates; New Zealand quiet; Russian idle. COPRA steady; sundried Straits January-March London buyers £63 10/-, F.M. ditto £63, to Rotterdam F.M.S. January-March sellers £70, and ditto Antwerp £69 per ton. PALM KERNELS steady; January-March £40 15/- per ton. RUBBER—Market fully steady, but trade quiet; plantation standard crepe, also sheet spot, sold 2/7½ to 2/7¼, January-March 2/7½, January-June, also April-June 2/7½, July-December 2/7½ to 2/8 per lb.; wild sorts quiet, unaltered. OILS—Linseed quiet; spot naked net January-April 105/3. Rape—Crude spot 105/-, refined 110/-. Cotton—Crude spot Egyptian 100/-, Bombay 92/-, refined 110/-. Cocoanut, China wood, castor, palm, and groundnut oils unaltered. Turpentine active and stronger; American spot 141/6, January-April 144/- per cwt. Petroleum and resin unchanged. OILSEEDS—Linseed steady, quiet; Indian remains largely nominal, owing to paucity of offers; La Plata January-February Hull sellers £39 10/-, February-March £37 10/-. Rapeseed firm, unchanged. Cottonseed quiet; London Egyptian afloat quoted £24, January £23 10/-, Bombay January-February Hull £21 10/- per ton.

LIVERPOOL AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE, Tuesday.—There was a good supply of farm produce at to-day's market, and demand proved keen. Prices in most cases were lower than last week. Potatoes—Main crop 14/-, Allies 9/- to 10/6; cauliflowers, 3/- to 4/-, cabbages 2/- to 2/6, celery 2/6 to 4/6 dozen. Swedes 3/6 to 4/6, and carrots 6/- to 7/- per cwt.

CLYDE CRUSHED SUGAR, Tuesday.—Market remains unchanged.

MISCELLANEOUS.—LIVERPOOL COTTON (Second Report), Tuesday.—American in limited demand, and advanced 13 points. Brazilian raised 13 points. East Indian is unchanged. Egyptian in moderate request, and raised 15 points. Sales, 4,000 bales; imports, 31,046. Market is quiet, steady.

LIVERPOOL COTTON (Closing), Tuesday.—Sales, 4,000; imports, 31,046 bales. American—Limited demand; advanced 13 points. Brazilian raised 13 points. East Indian unchanged. Egyptian—Moderate request; raised 15 points. December, 26.50d.; January, 24.88d.; March 23.51d.; April, 22.78d.; May, 21.96d.; June, 21.41d. Market is steady.

HAY AND STRAW.—LONDON, Tuesday.—Fair supplies available, and were steadily absorbed at late rates. Hal, clover, and mixtures quoted at about £15 10s., and straw, 100/- to 120/- per ton, delivered, according to quality and description.

LONDON METALS MARKET.

TIN 20/- easier since Monday's close on selling desire. Cash quoted £324 5/- to £324 10/-, three months £325 15/- to £326, settlement price £324. 500 tons sold, chiefly three months from £330 to £326. COPPER 5/- dearer, and in fair request. Cash £104 5/- to £104 10/-, three months £105 15/- to £106, settlement price £104 10/-. 1,000 tons sold, cash £104 5/-, three months £105 10/- to £106. LEAD rather firmer. 2,000 tons sold, January £44 2/6, February £44 2/6 to £44 5/-, March £44 5/-, April £44 10/-. SPELTER dearer. 2,000 tons sold March £55, April £55 to £55 5/- per ton. TIN PLATES stronger; I.C. coke 14 x 20 [illegible] 50/- per box, f.o.b. Swansea.

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WANTED, Gentleman's Tweed Suit, fit man 5ft. 10in.—"Z 3356, Suit," this office.

WANTED, pair soft legged Black Hunting Boots, size 6, 13½ round calf; also Grey Hunting Coat, fit man 5.4, chest 36.—"Z 3536, Boots," this office. A

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FOR Sale, Cow, time up this week; price £35.—Carr, Woodford, Shankill. A

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WANTED, Rabbiting Terrier; rough haired preferred; must be quiet with children.—M 132, this office. O

WANTED, Blenheim or King Charles Dog, not over 15 months; also a Tawny Tabby Persian Male or Neuter Cat, under 12 months.—C. Sloane, Drogheda. F

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ASSISTANT Mistress Wanted, Mathematics, Science, for January; experience outside Ireland preferred.—"Z 3525, Mistress," this office. B

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PRIVATE Lessons required for a young Man in freehand drawing and hand printing; state terms.—M 206, this office. C

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WANTED for good Northern Secondary School, capable Mathematical Teacher; good salary; non-resident. Apply "Z 3501, Teacher," this office. D

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WANTED, January, in School, Kingstown line, Resident or Visiting Mistress; Protestant; lower form work; one with Kindergarten training preferred.—"Z 3529, Mistress," this office. C

WANTED, January, in Ladies' School, near Dublin, Resident Trained Mistress, Protestant, gentlewoman, English, Latin, Maths., for classes; average age 15.—"Z 3523, Mistress," this office. C

WANTED, for the country, South of Ireland, Protestant Finishing Governess, over 35; two girls, 15, 13; £60.—"Z 1548, Governess," this office. A

WANTED, Protestant Governess, two children, for South of Ireland.—"Z 3544, Governess," this office. A

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HOUSES WANTED.

ADJACENT to North Circular road—Wanted by excellent tenant, small careful family, Furnished House in above district, rent from £8 to £10 per month. Replies to Dockrell Limited, Agents, George's street. D

WANTED, for elderly Married Couple, no children, Furnished House, 8 to 12 bedrooms, stables, grounds, gardens, etc., between Dublin and Killiney, for year or longer; must be moderate; highest references.—M 142, this office. D

£10 OFFERED for Key of modern House, Terenure district, rent £50 to £65.—R O 337, Irish Times Office, Rathmines.

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DUBLIN AND DISTRICT.

APARTMENTS—Lists from Central Bureau Agency, 25 Nassau st. Enclose stamp. T

AT 17 Northumberland road—Rooms, with or without board; visitors or permanent. T

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AT 34 North Frederick st. (Rutland square)—Select Private Residence; Visitors to the City for the Christmas Holidays comfortably catered for; first class cooking and attendance. E

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TO Let, Furnished Drawingroom and Diningroom and use of kitchen.—"Z 3561, Apartments," this office. F

APARTMENTS WANTED.

A ROOM Wanted by young Girl, convenient to William st.; state terms.—M 207, this office. F

FITZWILLIAM place vicinity—Wanted by excellent tenant, Upper Part of a House for lady and maid; rent about £100 yearly; 2 reception, 3 bedrooms, hot bath, etc., required. Replies to Dockrell Limited, South Great George's street. D

WANTED, Bedroom and Sittingroom, without board; use of kitchen.—M 131, this office. C

WANTED, Flat, Furnished £150, Unfurnished £80.—M 99, this office. C

WANTED immediately, for month previous and time of confinement, quiet Apartments, with or without board (suburbs preferred). Reply at once, stating terms, to M 125, this office. C

SEASIDE AND COUNTRY.
HOUSES TO LET AND WANTED.

BRAY—Advertisements for "Irish Times" will now be received by Miss M'Cann, 96 Main st., Bray. X

DALKEY—Advertisements (Prepaid) for "Irish Times" can be handed in at Mr. Winnett's Newsagency and Stationery, 20 Castle st., Dalkey, up to 4.45 p.m., for insertion in following day's paper. C

SANDYCOVE—Well Furnished House to Let, 6th January; 10 apartments.—B., Marsden's Library.

APARTMENTS TO LET AND WANTED.

BRAY—Sitting and Bedroom Wanted, January; one lady. Terms, K 1962, this office. C

KINGSTOWN, 28 Adelaide st.—Furnished Flat, winter or longer; exceptionally sheltered; separate kitchen, etc.—Mrs. Power. 18 8

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PARTNER Wanted for Garage and Engineering Agency Business, central premises, Dublin; capital, £500.—M 201, this office.

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DENTIST MacDonnell attends daily, 10 to 7; Saturdays, 10 to 1.—67 Grafton st. (over Woolworth's Stores). T

MESSRS. F. and A. Nicholson have now removed to their permanent Premises, 41 Henry st. (corner Moore st.) T

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AT SHARPLEY'S, Baby Linen Specialists—Ladies invited write catalogues Baby Linen, Accouchement, Nursery Requisites.—Nassau st., Lower Camden st., Dublin.

ADVICE, about everything concerning Officers', Soldiers', and Sailors' Pensions, Gratuities, and Employment is given by the Conductor of "Our Service Men's Bureau" in the "Weekly Irish Times." On sale to-day, price 1½d.

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DON'T Buy New Hats—Gents' Velour and Felt Hats perfectly Cleaned and Re-blocked.—Elbery's, Hat Specialists, 18a Harcourt road. T

INFORMATION for Investors is given in the Special Financial Article in the columns of the "Weekly Irish Times." Answers to correspondence regarding investments will also be given so far as reasonable space permits. See the "Weekly Irish Times." On Sale at all Newsagents, price three halfpence. T

LADY wishes to hear of another to join in cake enterprise.—"Z 3551, Lady," this office. A

LETTERKENNY Golf Club—Drawing postponed to 23rd January, 1920.

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MEN'S Wear—Boys' Corduroy and Velvet Knickers, Jerseys.—Leyburne Murphy, Exchequer st. 16 6

MEN'S Wear—See Exhibition Windows for quality, prices.—Leyburne Murphy, Exchequer st. 16 6

MEN'S Wear—Mechanics' Overalls, Dust Coats, all trades.—Leyburne Murphy, Exchequer st. 16 6

NODLAG GOOSE CLUB.—Under the Auspices of the D.T.P.S. Result of Draw—1st Prize, 2464; 2nd, A18715; 3rd, 54033; 4th, 46895; 5th, 53192; 6th, A9987; 7th, 5808; 8th, A14355; 9th, 33944; 10th, 25079; 11th, A10606; 12th, 25445; 13th, 45926; 14th, A23541; 15th, 51957; 16th, 10553; 17th, A16648; 18th, A37688; 19th, 87605; 20th, 48034; 21st, 24659; 22nd, 23005; 23rd, 6483; 24th, 52354; 25th, 16893; 26th, 11509; 27th, 53119; 28th, 12559; 29th, 35749; 30th, 42893. Extra Prizes—4561, 5152, 5336, 5702, 5803, 6185, 6321, 7611, 7992, 9634, 9985, 11518, 16010, 16062, 17772, 19862, 20166, 21559, 24202, 25394, 26773, 27125, 29841, 31832, 33918, 34857, 37569, 38295, 38704, 39811, 41262, 44424, 48276, 49345, 50994, 52534, 55206, 57642, 58195, 59535, 60553, 62519, 63066, 65086, 65671, 66481, 67126, 68125, 69946, 70195, 70366, 70672, 71189, 71586, 72267, 72529, 72571, 77416, 77678, 78766, 79379, 80035, 81284, 81951, 82489, 83553, 85322, 88904, 89284, 90537, 92524, 93091, 93238, 96430, 97280, 58391, 99913, A1292, A2580, A8158, A10653, A12345, A17772, A18039, A25059, A25670, A26963, A27278, A27746, A29506, A29895, A29993, A30107, A31060, A31134, A31178, A35292, A38032, A46813, A48840, A50939, A51341, A53337, 30724, 66590, 74463, 75115, 76015, 85081, 87134, A2350, A9985, A42275.

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THANKSGIVING to Jesus, Mary, and Joseph for Favour received; publication promised.—J.N.

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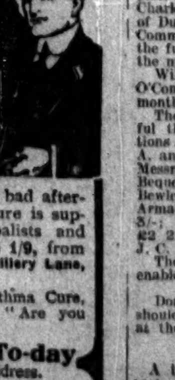

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Irish Times.

FROM THE LONDON GAZETTE.

WAR OFFICE, December 20, 1919.

REGULAR FORCES.—Commands and Staff.—The undermentioned relinquish their appts.—Personal Staff—A.D.C.—Capt. F. W. Gore-Langton, O.B.E., C. Gds. General Staff—Brig.-Gen.—Bt. Col. B. T. Buckley, C.B., C.M.G., Wilts. R., and relinquishes the temp. rank of Brig.-Gen. 11th Hrs.—Maj. and Bt. Lt.-Col. P. D. Fitzgerald, D.S.O., is placed on the h.p. list on account of ill-health. R. Ir. Regt.—Temp. 2nd Lt. R. T. Hamilton, M.C., Serv. Bn., relinquishes the actg. rank of Capt. Conn. Rang.—2nd Lt. W. H. Odbert, M.C., to be Lt. R. Muns. Fus.—Temp. Lt. D. Condon, Serv. Bn., relinquishes the actg. rank of Capt.

MEMORANDA.—John Patrick Burns is granted relative precedence as Capt. whilst empld. with the Audit Staff.

GENERAL RESERVE OF OFFICERS.—R. Dub. Fus.—Capt. W. H. Whyte (late temp. Lt.-Col.) to be Lt.-Col.

SPECIAL RESERVE OF OFFICERS.—Reserve Units.—N. Ir. Horse—Capt. J. Grant is restd. to the estabt. 4th R. Ir. Rif.—Capt. L. W. A. Algeo is placed on the ret. list on account of ill-health contracted on active service. 3rd R. Dub. Fus.—Capt. H. St. J. C. Hazledene is restd. to the estabt.

REGULAR FORCES.—Service Battalions.—R. Muns. Fus.—Temp. Lt. W. Wilkin relinquishes his commission on completion of service, and retains the rank of Lt.; temp. 2nd Lt. H. R. Clarke to be temp. Lt., with precedence next above J. McGuire. R. Dub. Fus.—Temp. Lt. S. G. Darling, M.C., relinquishes his commission on completion of service, and is granted the rank of Capt.; temp. 2nd Lt. P. J. McGowan, M.C., relinquishes his commission on completion of service, and retains the rank of 2nd Lt.

REGULAR FORCES.—The undermentioned Gentlemen Cadets, from the Royal Military College, to be 2nd Lts., with effect from 15th Dec., 1919.—R. Ir. Fus.—Reginald Askew Hill. R. Muns. Fus.—John Lee Rayner.

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LLOYD'S MAIL NEWS.

ADELAIDE, December 17.—The Commonwealth, from London, arrived.

BOMBAY, December 12.—The Morocco, from Hull, arrived.

BUENOS AYRES, Friday.—The Spectator, for Liverpool, left.

BOMBAY, December 11th.—The Huntsend, from Plymouth, arrived. December 13th.—The Chindwar, for London, left.

BOMBAY, December 18th.—The Cordoba, for London, left.

BRISBANE, December 17.—The Cufic, for Liverpool, left.

COLON, Thursday.—The Orca, for Liverpool, left.

COLOMBO, Thursday.—The Somali, from London for Japan, arrived.

GRAVESEND, Tuesday.—The Highland Laddie, for Buenos Ayres, and The Arzila, for Demerara, left.

GRAVESEND, Tuesday.—The Koga Maru, for Antwerp, and the Port Napier, for Sydney, left; the Monora, from Bombay, and the Coloba, from Calcutta, arrived.

GIBRALTAR, Saturday.—The Urbino, from Calcutta for London, left.

HOBART, Friday.—The Rustine, from London, called.

LOUISBURG, Friday.—The Caledonian, for Manchester, left.

LIVERPOOL, Saturday.—The Burma, for Rangoon; the Circassia, for Rangoon, the Dominion, for Portland Maine, all left. Tuesday.—The Australport, from Limon, arrived; the Antillian left.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.—The Wangaratta, for the United Kingdom, via the Cape, left.

MELBOURNE, December 17.—The Moreа, for London, left.

MOMBASA, December 14th.—The Cenefaytor, for Liverpool, left.

NEW YORK, Monday.—The Virgilia, from Avonmouth, arrived; the Valacia, for London, left.

PORT SAID (undated).—The Lucie Woermann, from London for Sydney, arrived.

PERIM, Thursday.—The City of Edinburgh, from Calcutta for London, called.

PLYMOUTH, Tuesday.—The Devanit, from Bombay for London, arrived.

SABON, Tuesday.—The Sphinx for Yokohama from Marseilles, arrived.

SANTOS, December 17.—The Benmacdui, from the Clyde, arrived.

ST. JOHN (N.B.), Monday.—The Mattawa, from London, arrived.

SOUTHAMPTON, Monday.—The Soudan, from Bombay for London, arrived; the Balmoral Castle, from Table Bay, arrived.

YOKOHAMA, Sunday.—The Kashgar, for London, left.

CUNARD MOVEMENTS.

The Royal Mail steamer Mauretania, from Southampton for New York, reported 1,749 miles east of Sandy Hook at noon on Sunday.

The Orduna, from Liverpool for New York, left Halifax at 1 p.m. on Monday.

The Valacia left New York on Saturday for Rotterdam.

The Virgilia arrived at Sandy Hook on Monday from Bristol.

The Doonholm arrived at Baltimore on Saturday from Bristol.

The Willaston arrived at Portland, Maine, on Monday from New York.

YESTERDAY'S SHIPPING REPORT.

Barometer—29.30. Wind and weather—W.S.W. wind, fresh breeze; overcast; showery.

Foreign Arrival.—Ss. Myrtle, of Glasgow, 540 tons register, Captain Jolliffe, bound from Bordeaux to Glasgow with general cargo, coaled and proceeded.

Coastwise Arrivals.—Ss. Slievemore, ss. Slieve Bawn, ss. Greenore, ss. Rosstrevor, ss. Scotia, from Holyhead, with passengers, troops, and goods; ss. Wicklow, from Manchester, with goods; ss. Olive, from Heysham, with goods; ss. Blackrock, ss. Carlow, from Liverpool, with goods; ss. Puma, ss. Coney, from Glasgow, with goods; ss. Fodhla, from Glasgow, with coals; ss. Irena, from Point of Aire, with coals; ss. Sapphire, from Ayr, with coals; ss. Priscilla, ss. Thelma, from Garston, with coals; ss. Ardri, from Maryport, with coals; Wild Wave (s.v.), from Swansea, with coals; ss. Nora, from Kingstown, light.

Foreign Departure.—Ss. Spero, of Risor, 367 tons register, Captain Hansen, for London, with porter.

Coastwise Departures.—Ss. Slievemore, ss. Slieve Bawn, ss. Greenore, ss. Rosstrevor, for Holyhead, with passengers and goods; ss. Olive, for Heysham, with goods; ss. Puma, for Glasgow, with goods; ss. Patricia, for Cardiff, with goods; ss. Kerry, for Liverpool, with goods; ss. Wicklow, for Manchester, with goods; ss. Glencona (Holyhead), for Garston, with timber; ss. Whinstone, for Liverpool, with coals; ss. Saltom, for Manchester, with barmak; ss. Penrhyn, for Garston, light; ss. Plasma, for Cairngorm, light; ss. Puffin, for Piel, light; ss. Cornelian, ss. The Viscount, for Llandulas, light; ss. Timbo, for Belfast, light; ss. Agnes Ellen, for Liverpool, light; ss. Christiania, for Ayr, light; ss. Scotia, for Holyhead, light; ss. May, for Penmaenmawr, light.

THE CITY OF DUBLIN SKIN AND CANCER HOSPITAL (INCORPORATED), Hume Street, Dublin.

The monthly meeting of the Committee of Management of the City of Dublin Skin and Cancer Hospital was held in the Boardroom on Thursday, 18th inst., Alderman David A. Quaid presiding. Also present:—Andrew Smith, Esq., J.P.; William Findlater, Esq., M.A.; P. J. McAndrew, Esq., B.E.; W. B. Aiken, Esq.; E. M. Lloyd, Esq.; J. T. Wood-Latimer, Esq., J.P.; George Birney, Esq.; D. J. O'Brien, Esq., K.C.; M. R. Lalor, Esq.; Andrew Charles, Esq., F.R.C.S. Apologies were received for non-attendance from John Landy, Esq.; A. S. Deale, Esq.; and Michael O'Connor, Esq.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and signed. The report of the House and Finance Committee was submitted. Cheques were drawn for the amount of accounts.

The report of the Medical Staff showed 876 Extern Department, 450 Light treatment, and 66 Intern patients during the month of November.

A letter was read from D. H. Charles, Esq., LL.B., Solicitor, 32 Nassau street, Dublin, wherein it was stated that he had been instructed by Mrs. Elanor Charles, "Ley Hill," Cookstown, to communicate with the Committee of the Hospital her wish that the moneys bequeathed to her for charitable purposes, over which she was given complete discretion by her son, the late Dr. Frank Charles, should be devoted to the objects of the City of Dublin Skin and Cancer Hospital, and asking the Committee to make suggestions as to the disposal of the funds. It was resolved by the Committee to leave the matter to Mrs. Charles and family.

William Findlater, Esq., M.A., and Michael O'Connor were appointed Visiting Governors for the month.

The Committee beg to acknowledge, with grateful thanks, the following subscriptions and donations:—Dublin Corporation (half-year grant), £60; A. and G. Hadden, Ltd., £1; A. R. Browning, £1; Messrs. Bewley and Co., Ltd., £2 2/-; Arnott Bequest Fund, £5; Mrs. Crofton, £1; Messrs. Bewley and Draper, £2; John Falkner, £1; Mrs. Armstrong, £1; Mrs. Clarke, £1; A. S. Deal, £3 3/-; Father O'Farrell, £1; Sir James Gallagher, £2 2/-; William Findlater, Esq., M.A., £10 10/-; J. C. Lardner, B.L., £1 1/-.

The Committee earnestly appeal for funds to enable them to carry on the work of the Hospital.

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Donations to the fund earnestly requested, and should be sent to Andrew Charles, Esq., F.R.C.S., at the Hospital.

A telegram from Melbourne, dated December 18th, states:—Speaking at a mass meeting of marine engineers, Mr. Hughes, the Prime Minister, urged the men to accept the proposals made by the shipowners of a graduated scale of wages, from £18 to £30 monthly, which they had previously rejected. Otherwise, he added, the Government were prepared to use all the resources of Australia to fight them. The Engineers' Executive Council is expected to arrive here from Sydney to-morrow.

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